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A Season Of Farewell

Late afternoon on Commencement Sunday is the saddest time of the year around here. A campus teeming with noisy graduates, digital cameras and parents trailing camp chairs and younger siblings, transforms in one shift of the breeze to a crumpled lemonade cup blowing across a sweep of empty lawn. After the last black robe has been tossed on the return stack in Bill Smith and the building is locked up for a one-day rest before summer activities start, goodbye begins to insinuate finality.

This has been a spring of goodbyes. Professor Bennett Lamond's last stand at the Maypole kicked off a season of farewell, marked by the passing of revered former faculty member Gerda Blumenthal and the tragic loss to cancer of WC's most beloved son, Edward M. Athey. Others have now announced their intention to retire: most notably Maureen McIntire, a 36-year Student Affairs veteran who has touched the lives of countless numbers in the Washington College community. Add to these the monumental departure of President Toll and you can understand why those of us left behind in Bunting Hall might feel like witnesses to the end of an era.

But Commencement, we tell our students, while highlighting past achievements, marks a new beginning. So consider this a true Commencement issue. Join us in a celebration of the achievements of yet another generation of Washington College graduates, those who have learned their lessons and taught us ours: the students, faculty, staff and President who launch from here a new beginning. We wish them all the best as their lives diverge from the brick paths we walked together in Chestertown.

Yes, there is change in the wind, but not in the heart. We will meet the future fueled by the passions of the past, thanks to the good works of President John Toll, Professor Bennett Lamond, Dr. Gerda Blumenthal, Ed Athey, Dean Maureen McIntire and every one of you who has loved this special place that George Washington—more than 200 years ago—called The College at Chester.

—*MDH*

Letter To The Editor

The article by John S. Lang [Celebrating the Legacy of Charley's Boys] was a great tribute to a great man. I was one of Charley's boys, but a very lowly one. I was the lacrosse team manager. On page 28, I am pictured seated in a sports coat to the left of Dr. Clark, or "Coach" as we called him. But to the point, the photo on page 27 does not picture Joe Seivold '58. The midfield player shown to Billy Russell's left was none other that John Fortune Grim '53. John Grim was one of the best face-off midfielders I have ever seen play the game, and he could play the entire game, fanning back and forth, attacking and defending the entire game. I am sure others will catch this as well, but please let John know that I did, and give him a raise for one hell of an article. Believe me, other teams feared and respected us. We were from a little school, but played some of the finest lacrosse in the history of the sport.

— John Newbold '54

Editor's Note: Our sincere apologies for the mistaken identity.

Clarification

In the news story announcing a new major in human development, the headline referred to an "elementary education major." The College does not offer an elementary education major, but rather an elementary certification program within the interdisciplinary human development major. Washington College is one of three liberal arts colleges in Maryland offering elementary certification programs through an interdisciplinary major.

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ABOUT THE COVER: First Lady Debby Toll gives her blessing to the new bronze bust of Washington College's twenty-fifth president, John S. Toll. The bust was a gift from the class of 2004. Photo by P Trams Hollingsworth.

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Graduates Tout Toll With Standing Ovation

PHOTO MELISSA GRIMES-GUY

Vocalist Sue Dunning Matthews '75 performed at Commencement in response to receiving the Alumni Citation tor Excellence in the Performing Arts.

WHO SAID graduation ceremonies were dull affairs, with mind-numbing speeches and meaningless platitudes? No one at Washington College. On a steamy Sunday morning in May, several colorful vignettes unfolded on the campus lawn, as the statue of George Washington stood sentinel.

The entire Class of 2004 cheered and applauded long and loud for one young classmate, the late Simon Hultman, who would have received his degree in international studies that day.

Chestertown's Queen of Jazz, Sue Dunning Matthews '75, belted out her rendition of "America the Beautiful," in response to receiving the Alumni Citation for Excellence in the Performing Arts.

The Governor of Maryland joked with Kimberly Lynn Boughan '04, the Senior Class Speaker who had earlier stepped all over the governor's lines in offering some rules to live by—one of which was: "Don't take yourself too seriously."

The Sophie Kerr Prize winner was actually rooting for a friend to win.

And a simple "Bye" from outgoing President John Toll had the seniors on their feet, cheering for the man some students call "the grandfather of Washington College."

The Chairman of the Board stepped forward and ad libbed, asking Governor Robert Ehrlich to declare a "John Toll Day." Ehrlich didn't miss a beat. "Done."

An alumna, Lauren Montenegro Littlefield '91, received the Alumni Association's Award for Distinguished Teaching. The assistant professor of psychology mothers two young children at home and dozens of teenagers in the classroom.

Only one senior left the platform empty-handed, her diploma lost in the shuffle. By lunchtime, the wayward diploma was recovered and returned to its rightful owner.

Bagpipes and columns of international flags lent a festive air to the occasion marking past achievements and new beginnings. The awarding of honorary degrees and special prizes were cause for particular celebration. But it was clear that the spotlight was rightly on the graduating members of the Class of 2004.

Wearing his heavy green velvet academic robe in the growing morning heat, College President John Toll smiled unflaggingly and offered congratulatory words to each of the 334 undergraduates as they received their diplomas.

In that small personal gesture resounded the student-centered focus that has been the hallmark of the Toll presidency. The man who ate tacos with them in the dining hall, who sat in the front row at their performances and readings, who cheered

PHOTO MELISSA GRIMES-GUY

Maryland Gov. Robert Ehrlich received the honorary doctor ot laws degree.

them on in their athletic contests and academic endeavors, was graduating with them, as well.

In recognition of his leadership through the past decade, Washington College awarded the outgoing president the honorary doctor of science degree. Maryland Governor Robert Ehrlich, who also received an honorary degree that day, said, "Dr. Toll has shaped the face of education in Maryland more than any other individual." "I feel very lucky to graduate with this Class of 2004, which is the largest and in many ways the best of all the Washington College classes I have had the pleasure of knowing," Toll remarked. "Like you, my life has been forever changed, in the most positive sense, through my association with Washington College."

Add John Toll to the list of graduates who develop a genuine affection for Chestertown during their time at Washington College, and a reluctance to depart too soon.

"Like some of you, I intend to linger in Chestertown, to savor this place we have called home. In fact, I'm planning to stay on in Chestertown for an entire year, so that I can either help the next president, or cause him trouble," Toll quipped. "In the years to come, President Tipson, and other presidents to follow, will be calling on members of the Class of 2004 for their assistance in assuring the success of this institution. Rest assured, no matter how far or how long you travel from Chestertown, you will always have a home at Washington College."

For Toll, the day was "bittersweet" and "profoundly poignant," he said. "It was a delight and privilege to serve as your president. Together, we have done great things. It is time for us now to go out into the world and show them just how much a Washington College graduate can accomplish." When Toll ended his formal remarks with a simple "Bye," the Class of 2004 rose to a standing ovation.

In response to receiving his honorary doctor of laws degree, Governor Ehrlich praised Toll as an "incredible leader" in Maryland higher education. Ehrlich promised to declare June 23 "John Toll Day" throughout Maryland in recognition of his lifetime achievements.

Ehrlich was honored for taking an "historic step forward in Chesapeake Bay environmental policy"—a $13.6 billion strategy for slashing nutrients draining into the Chesapeake Bay, and promising to restore its waters to health within the next six years.

The Governor pointed to his friend, Joe Getty '74, Minority Whip, director of policy administration in the Ehrlich administration, "as proof that a liberal arts degree does lead to employment at the highest level." Among the Governor's Top Ten rules to live by: Honor and love your family, exhibit integrity, volunteer and vote.

PHOTO: MELISSA GRIMES-GUY

Angie Crenshaw, winner of the George Washington Medal, will pursue a master's degree in environmental and economic policy.

The faculty had earlier voted on several senior honors and prizes, which were announced during Commencement.

Angie Crenshaw, and environmental studies and economics major, received the George Washington Medal and Award, given to the senior who shows the greatest promise of understanding and realizing in life and work the ideals of a liberal arts education.

Florin Ivan, an international studies and economics major from Romania, received the Clark-Porter Medal, given to the student whose character and personal integrity have most clearly enhanced the quality of campus life.

English major Angela Haley captured the $56,000 Sophie Kerr Prize, in recognition of literary promise (see page xx).

PHOTO: MELISSA GRIMES-GUY

Florin Ivan received the Clark-Porter Medal for campus citizenship. This summer, he is assisting with the C. V. Starr Center's American Studies Institute.

Tim Appel, a philosophy and economics major, took home the Henry W. C. Catlin 1894 Medal, given to the senior major voted by the faculty to be outstanding in scholarship, character, leadership and campus citizenship.

Tara Kunkle, a biology major headed to veterinary school, received the Eugene B. Casey Medal, given to a senior woman considered outstanding in scholarship, character, leadership and campus citizenship.

The Louis L. Goldstein '35 Award went to John Killeen, an international literature and culture major.

The Jane Huston Goodfellow Memorial Prize, given to a graduating science major who has an abiding appreciation of the arts and humanities, went to Kathleen Anne Swam.

The Gold Pentagon Awards, given in recognition of meritorious service to Washington College, went to

Brian DeSaulniers, a premedical student, and to College President John Toll.

Women's League Honors Debby Toll

BEHIND EVERY great college president has stood a truly great woman. The Women's League of Washington College gave some of those women their due at the annual luncheon, where Debby Toll was guest of honor. Former First Ladies Helen Gibson (who founded the Women's League in 1951), Ann McLain, Libby Cater Halaby and Catherine Trout were among the women gathered at Hynson-Ringgold House in May to honor Debby Toll's service to Washington College and to the community.

As Mrs. Toll is an avid fan of Shakespeare, the Women's League called upon Werner Gundersheimer, a noted Shakespeare expert who directs the Folger Museum in Washington, to help select an appropriate gift for the outgoing First Lady. Gundersheimer donated a pitcher dating from 1892 made in Baltimore by Haynes Bennet & Co., which was also known as "Chesapeake Pottery." He and his wife discovered the piece many years ago in the Lord Jesus Christ Variety Shop in Hancock, MD. The vitreous china ewer commemorates a birthday celebration for Shakespeare at Ford's Theatre in Baltimore. It honors the local actress Julia Marlowe on one side and the bard and his birthplace on the other.

"This piece is really quite an appropriate gift for Mrs. Toll," said Gundersheimer, "as it combines the Chesapeake, Maryland, Shakespeare and even the Lord Jesus Christ."

There has been something of the divine in Washington's First Ladies, who are called upon to feed the masses with fishes and loaves, who open their homes to strangers, and who devote themselves to a life of service to the College.

Katherine Trout, who set the community abuzz when she redecorated Hynson-Ringgold House, offered some words of wisdom for the incoming first lady, Sarah Tipson.

"Always keep your clothes on," Trout said. "You never know who might be around—a plumber, a caterer, or tourists in off the streets. One year we came downstairs to find two Australian tourists looking for a docent to take them on a tour of the house. They were pretty disappointed not to find one."

Other words of wisdom: "Christmas starts at Thanksgiving, so your tree will start to crackle early in December. Always thank the food service people. And never paint the antler stairway before a house tour."

Debby Toll praised the work of the Women's League, a contingent of local citizens dedicated to the concerns of the College. Women's League members serve as docents for the house tours streaming through Hynson-Ringgold House, orchestrate the sale and distribution of care packages to students during exam week, with the proceeds benefiting the College, and support a scholarship initiative for a student from Kent or Queen Anne's County. This year, the Women's League presented a scholarship check for $10,000. To date the Women's League has raised more than $100,000 for the College.

"It's been wonderful to be part of a long line of very good presidents' wives,' Debbie Toll said. "Fortunately I don't have to cry, because John and I have rented an apartment on Water Street and we'll be here for another year. We'll be around to see the town and the college continue on what I think is an exciting ongoing path."

PHOTO: GREG WADDELL

Debby Toll (front left) was guest of honor at a luncheon attended by former First Ladies (clockwise) Ann McLain, Libby Cater Halaby, Katherine Trout and Helen Gibson.

Maureen McIntire will leave behind a legacy of personal attention to every student.

VP For Student Affairs Retires

AFTER THIRTY-SIX years at Washington College, Maureen Kelley McIntire, Vice President and Dean of Students, is stepping down from her post, effective July 2, 2004.

McIntire joined the College administration as Assistant Dean of Women in 1968, was promoted to Dean of Students in 1976 and has served as Vice President and Dean of Students since 1996. She has been a tireless champion of Washington College for nearly four decades, spanning two generations of students and serving under six presidents. She also has been an advocate for Washington College staff, lobbying to bring salary and benefits issues to the forefront of policy-making. In 1976, Maureen received the Gold Pentagon Award in recognition of meritorious service to Washington College.

"It's been a great 36-year run," McIntire said in announcing her decision. "I feel honored to have shared so many years with wonderful colleagues, not to mention

with countless Washington College students. I look forward to new adventures but will always look back on these years with absolute joy."

McIntire says she will spend time relaxing on her boat and traveling up north, but she also plans to launch her own catering business.

A reception in her honor will be hosted early in the new academic year once faculty and students return to campus. President-elect Baird Tipson has asked Bryan Matthews to serve as Acting Vice President and Dean of Students until a permanent successor can be identified. Matthews will continue to serve as Director of Athletics.

HEARD AROUND CAMPUS

"All double and triple meanings are welcomed by poets. Poets are basically people who can't stand to say one thing at a time."

—Former poet laureate Billy Collins, reading from his poetry to open the annual Sophie Kerr Weekend, March 19, 2004

Board Sets Tuition Increase

THE ANNUAL PRICE tag on a Washington College education for a full-time boarding student now tops $31,000—a shock for parents whose own liberal arts education cost a fraction of that amount, but still less than the going rate at many of Washington College's peer institutions.

At its February meeting, the Board of Visitors and Governors voted to raise tuition rates for the 2004-05 academic year by $1,750, bringing the total cost of tuition to $25,990 per year for full-time students. Under the Board's plan, basic charges for room will increase by $200 to $2,800, while basic board fees will increase by $60 to $3,200. These are the first increases in room and board charges in six years. The Student Service Fee will be held constant at $560.

"This year's increase is unusual for Washington College," said President John Toll. "Over the past three years, the total cost of attendance at Washington College has increased by just $3,500, while the average three-year increase at our peer institutions has been $4,925. We have kept this year's increase to 6.58 percent—as low as we possibly can without forcing the institution to compromise core programs and services for our students."

Despite the significant achievements of the Campaign for Washington's College, Toll added, there is much work to be done and more challenges ahead as Washington College strives to remain competitive with the nation's top liberal arts institutions.

"As the intrinsic value of the education we provide our students rises, so does the cost of providing the unique opportunities that are the distinguishing marks of the Washington College experience," Toll said. "Hiring new faculty, enhancing computer technology capabilities, expanding internship opportunities, renovating student residence halls, constructing additional parking lots and recreational sports fields, as well as the climbing price of utilities such as heating fuel, are just a few of the factors that determine tuition and fees for the coming year."

Washington College remains committed to maintaining affordability for middle-income families. The Office of Student Financial Aid is available to counsel students and their families about opportunities for scholarships and loans. For more information, call 410-778-7214.

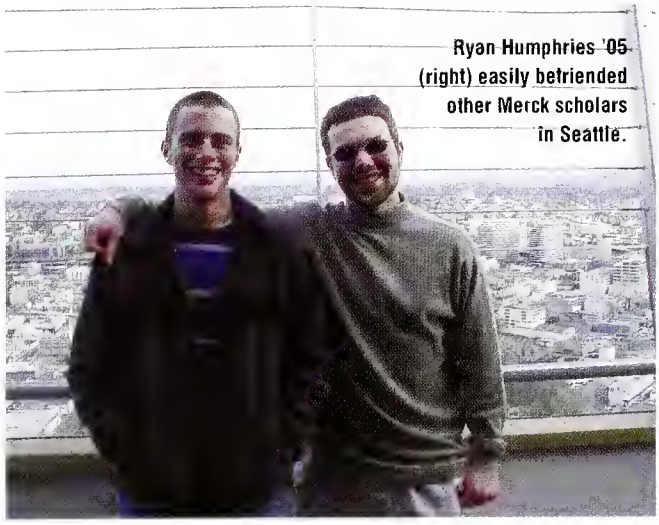
Merck Scholar Goes To Seattle

RYAN HUMPHRIES '05 has spent the last two summers working in Professor Rosemary Ford's biology laboratory, deftly dividing and amplifying DNA. All that hard work paid off this spring, when he traveled to Seattle, WA, to present the results of his summer research on cloning rhododendron genes at the meeting of the American Association for Advancement of Sciences.

Humphries was one of 20 Merck Scholars from colleges and universities across the country at what is touted as the world's largest annual science conference. A double major in biology and chemistry, he is intent on a career in genetics.

"All the disciplines were represented," Humphries says. "The coolest thing for me was being able to sit in on lectures in fields like physics and mathematics — fields I'm unfamiliar with but interested in nonetheless."

After giving his poster presentation on his genetic



Ryan Humphries '05 (right) easily betriended other Merck scholars in Seattle.

work with rhododendron, Humphries sampled talks on black holes, vaccines and nanotechnology, as well as a lecture on the genetics of autism — of particular interest since his brother has been diagnosed with that disorder.

"There's some amazing stuff going on in the sciences," Humphries declares.

Merck, who supports two summer research positions at Washington College each year, hosted a dinner for its scholars. Humphries also had some time to see the sights—the aquarium, the Space Needle, and Pike's Place, the famous fish market where fish fly.

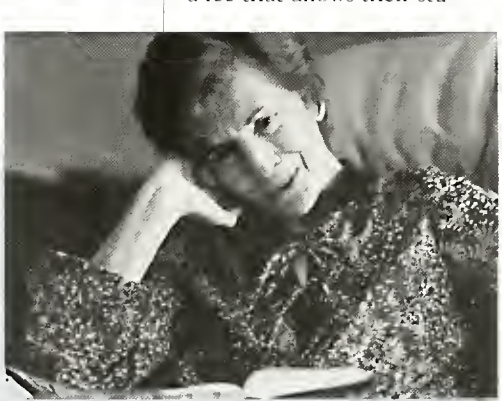
Isn't that a genetic aberration?

Students Practice Business Solutions

IN SUSAN VOWELS' Database and Enterprise Systems class, not only do students learn how the best-run companies operate, but they also are using the same software.

In July of 2003, the College joined the SAP University Alliance, a program that works with educational institutions around the world to help prepare the next generation of business leaders. The educational alliance provides curriculum workshops, learning materials, a collaborative global network of scholars, and opportunities for professional development, research and industry collaboration.

Instead of individually bearing the expense of purchasing and maintaining the SAP business solutions software, Vowels explains, educational partners pay a fee that allows their students access to the software through a log-in that links them to a server at a host university. Washington College is hosted by Louisiana State University. Penn State and Harvard Business School are among dozens of schools that are participating.



SAP is the leading provider of enterprise resource planning (ERP) software used to integrate functions such as distribution, accounting, human resources and manufacturing. Fortune 500 companies and mid-sized companies alike employ the software in order to operate more efficiently. For instance, the software enables a company to develop sales forecasts and to predict how much product to manufacture and how many people to hire, based on its distribution channels.

"By using the software as an instructional tool, we hope to give our graduates an edge in landing that first job," says Vowels. "What students learn in class will help them in whatever environment they find themselves in. My goal is to help them understand business processes and how information should flow through a system."

Vowels tells her students that automating business processes can actually change the culture of a company, affecting how people approach their tasks. "Students need to be aware that they're not just implementing software, but laying the foundation for how people communicate and work together."

Vowels made the transition from industry to academia three years ago, after earning an MBA at the University of Delaware. With 25 years' experience in management information systems, she was hired to develop curriculum in this area.

IN MEMORIAM

Gerda Blumenthal

Gerda Blumenthal, a former professor of French and chair of the modern languages department at Washington College, died April 18 at the Washington Hospital Center. She was 80.

"She was a great teacher, a luminary who had a major impact on a lot of students," recalls Thomas Pabon, a Spanish language professor who was hired by Blumenthal in 1965. "She was brilliant, she was kind, she was generous in every conceivable way."

Blumenthal began teaching at Washington College in 1955, and in 1964 became the first recipient of the Lindback Award for Distinguished Teaching. An important scholar of 20th-century French literature, she continued her career at Catholic University, where she taught for 20 years until her retirement in 1988. She was the author of numerous critical and scholarly articles. She also wrote three books: *André Malraux: The Conquest of Dread* (1960), *The Poetic Imagination of Georges Bernanos: An Essay In Interpretation* (1965) and *Thresholds: A Study of Proust* (1984).

Former student Linda Towne Cades '68 said Dr. Blumenthal pushed and inspired her students in the most positive way, and encouraged them to analyze literature and take from it life's meaning. "She was a very wise, warm, wonderful human being who cared more than anything else about students and their learning. If I could give people one gift, it would be one course with her."

Christine Olpin Pabon '62, who now teaches modern languages at Washington College, remained close to Blumenthal throughout her lifetime.

"In addition to teaching us to think deeply about the text, she taught us to trust our own insights as long as we could back them up consistently and rigorously with text, Christine Pabon recalls. "She served as one of the primary models for my own teaching—communicating through her immense love of literature and her rigorous, demanding approach to textual explication the ideals, the method and the integrity which inspire my own best teaching," she says.

A memorial service for her will be held September 24 at Catholic University in Washington, DC. For more information, contact her nephew, Michael Brenson, at mfbrenson@aol.com, or by mail at 58 W. 70th Street, New York, NY 10023.

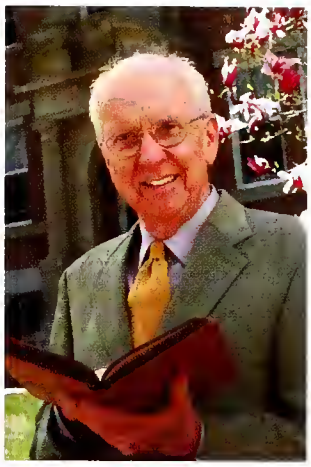
Prof. Lamond Retires

ONE MAN'S teaching career came to an end this spring, but his influence will continue to reverberate through the world as long as his students live.

Bennett Lamond retired after 39 years of teaching medieval and Victorian literature at WC, where he befriended a succession of students who came to share his appreciation of poetry. At his retirement party John Toll remarked: "Bennett will be remembered for many things: his role as Vladimir in a College production of Samuel Beckett's *Waiting for Godot*; his now legendary poetry classes spent gathering ye rosebuds 'round the May Pole, his directorship of the College's Semester in London program, his unflagging support of student drama productions, and his fondness for Sophie Kerr. As devoted as he is to the poetry of Gerard Manley Hopkins, Bennett is more committed to his students, both past and present. Those lifelong friendships forged in his classroom now form the core of his extended family."

Lamond joined the faculty in 1965 as an instructor fresh from Fordham University. He was named assistant professor in 1971, associate professor in 1976, and full professor in 1989. He chaired the English Department, and the Sophie Kerr Committee and won the Lindback Award for Distinguished Teaching.

He was given the emeritus rank "in recognition of his immense contribution to the character of Washington College as an institution that values the fine art of teaching and in gratitude to such a faithful contributor to this fine art."



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Bennett Lamond's "Last Class" was a big hit at Reunion.

Student Joins Smithsonian Team

AFTER HER TRIP to Finland, "everything sort of snowballed," says Andrea Neighbors '05, an anthropology major who is off to Mongolia this summer to visit Bronze Age burial sites.

Neighbors landed a summer job with the Smithsonian Institution's Arctic Studies Center last year, after her semester abroad at the University of Oulu in Finland. This summer she's been invited back to take part in the Smithsonian's Deerstone Project in the Lake Khovsgol area of the Asian nation.

The Smithsonian team of five is joining a team from the Mongolian National Museum and a group of geologists from the University of Pittsburgh to examine the environmental and cultural significance of the region.

Neighbors and her colleagues from the Arctic Studies Center are also interested in the reindeer herders in northern Mongolia whose way of life has come under increasing stress due to political, economic and climatic changes in the past decade.

"I'm so excited to be going," she says. "Mongolia—all world cultures in fact— have always been of interest for me, particularly since I'm a product of mixed cultures [her mother is Korean]. Mongolia is very American-friendly. For a democracy to be situated between China and Russia is pretty amazing."

"What I love about anthropology is seeing how things are connected and how they function together," Neighbors says. "With Arctic culture, particularly, it's all connected somehow. I think I can make a career of this."

WC IN THE NEWS

Some Recent Ink...

"'I've had quite a few paintings done of me,' said Toll, 80. Of Carpenter's clay model that eventually will be a bust, Toll said, 'I told him to make it handsomer than I am, and I think he succeeded.'"

—Dr. John Toll quoted by education columnist, Mike Bowler, *The* Baltimore *Sun*, April 14, 2004

"Creighton said he looks to other small institutions of higher education, such as Gettysburg College in Pennsylvania, Washington College in Maryland and Whitman College in Walla Walla as inspiration.

"'Each of these schools has built a national reputation, and that's what we're moving toward,' Creighton said."

—Phil Creighton, new president of Pacific University, quoted in *The Oregonian*, April 22, 2004

"The crowd cheered for the 21-year-old poet, who graduated in 2000 from North Harford High School and grew up in Baltimore and Jarrettsville. Family members shrieked and hugged each other. Her boyfriend, Jay Harrison, picked up his cell phone even as Toll continued to announce the college's other prestigious prizes. "'She won!' Harrison said into the phone. 'Oh, my God!'"

—Reporter Rona Kobell on 2004 Sophie Kerr Prize winner, Angela Haley ("21-year-old poet wins $56,169 Kerr award," *The* Baltimore *Sun*, May 17, 2004)

"On any other day, the sight of two monster CH53 helicopters unloading Marines onto the athletic field at Washington College would be terrifying.

"On Wednesday, it was just a day of training for Marines who are part of an anti-terrorism brigade stationed at Naval Surface Warfare Center in Indian Head."

—The Associated Press on the May 19 Marine terrorism response exercise held on the campus of Washington College ("Marines, Firefighters Practice Terror Response at Washington College")

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Kresge Issues Challenge Grant

IN THE FINAL PUSH to fund the $23 million Science Center currently under construction, the College has behind it the impetus $750,000 challenge grant from The Kresge Foundation of Troy, Michigan. The funds are contingent upon the College raising $2.8 million to support funding for the project by January 1, 2005.

"The grant from The Kresge Foundation represents a major endorsement of the College," said Jack S. Griswold, chair of the College's Board of Visitors and Governors. "The Kresge Foundation scrupulously examines all aspects of an institution while considering a proposal. Its grant to the College is a 'Good Housekeeping Seal of Approval' of which we are very proud."

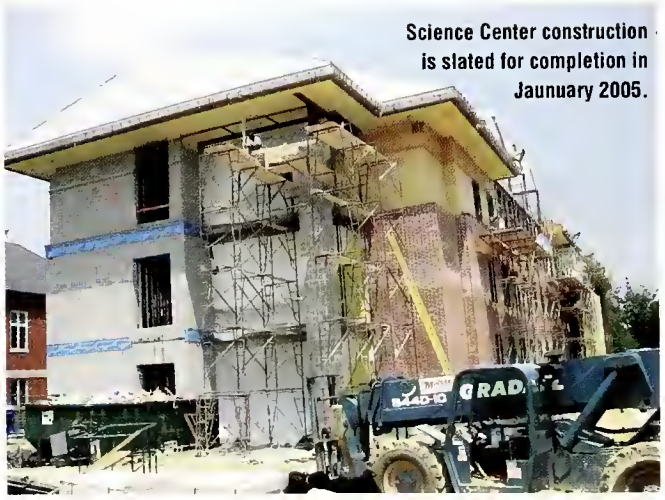
"This vote of confidence from The Kresge Foundation is tangible evidence that the momentum of our highly successful Campaign for Washington's College is continuing," said Thomas H. Gale, chair of the Development Committee of the Board of Visitors and Governors.

"Now the challenge for all of us is to build on the momentum of that magnificent effort with this new campaign for the Science Center," added Gale.

The Campaign for Washington's College, which ended on December 31, 2003, raised $103.4 million—the largest capital campaign in the College's 222-year history and the single largest ever conducted by a Maryland undergraduate college. Funds raised are supporting a range of initiatives, from new faculty chairs, professorships, and academic programs, to scholarships, technology enhancements, new academic research and outreach centers, and new facilities such as the Science Center, which will double the size of Washington College's science teaching and research complex.

Designed to provide a lab-rich environment for supporting new and evolving models for teaching the sciences to undergraduates, the Science Center will have state-of-the-art teaching and research laboratories for biology, chemistry, environmental studies, physics, psychology, and math and computer science, as well as a vivarium to support psychological research and a greenhouse on the top story.

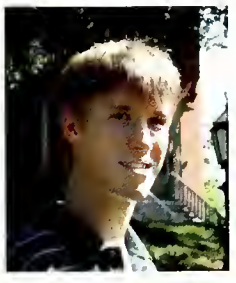
Classrooms in the Science Center will follow a new trend in science facilities: small-group instruction rooms equipped with mobile "white boards." A three-story glass atrium—to be named in honor of the late Washington College president, chemistry professor and alumnus Joseph McLain '37—will connect the Center with the existing Dunning-Decker science complex.



Science Center construction is slated for completion in Jaunuary 2005.

Netters Keep Swinging

THE ANNUAL success of the men's tennis team is so routine that it's easy to lose sight of just how impressive the Shoremen have been for the past two decades. Over the past 20 seasons, the men's tennis program has posted an overall dual match record of 351-84, good for a winning percentage of 80.7. The Shoremen have won 120 consecutive conference matches, a streak dating back to 1985. In fact, one of this year's Shoremen, freshman Arturo Solis, had not yet been born the last time Washington lost a conference match.



Peter Taylor '04

This year's men's tennis team continued the program's winning ways. The Shoremen finished 13-6 overall, rolled through the Centennial Conference with an 8-0 record, and earned a berth in the NCAA Division III Team Tournament. Washington was nationally ranked throughout the season and featured four nationally- or regionally-ranked players: Pete Taylor '04, Asfand Farouk '05, Vivian Chhetri '07 and Arturo Solis '07. The Shoremen's fifth singles player, Maciek Prytula '06, won the Centennial Conference Singles Championship, while their sixth singles player, Tim Riskie '06, was the conference singles runner-up.

Taylor completed an outstanding tennis career by winning a bounty of honors and awards. In the fall, he won the ITA Atlantic South Regional Singles Championship and finished second in Division III at the ITA National Small College Championships. He won his 100th career singles match in March and is fifth all-time among Washington players in career singles wins. He was named the Centennial Conference Player of the Year and earned all-conference honors in both singles and doubles.

The Intercollegiate Tennis Association honored Taylor with three awards. He was named the ITA Atlantic South Region Senior Player of the Year, was awarded the ITA Atlantic South Region Arthur Ashe Sportsmanship and Leadership Award and was named the ITA National Senior Player of the Year. He made his second appearance in the NCAA Division III Singles Championship tournament and earned All-American honors in doubles with Farouk by advancing to the quarterfinals.

Taylor won two Washington College Athletic Departmental Awards—the Eldridge Eliason Award and the Senior Athletic Award. He was also the Division III winner of the Maryland Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics postgraduate scholarship.

Shoremen Reach Semifinals

THROUGHOUT THE storied history of men's lacrosse, no Shoreman team had ever won more than 14 games in a season. This year's Shoremen recorded their 15th win before suffering their first defeat. Washington finished the season with a school-record 18 wins, against only three losses, and reached the NCAA Division III Semifinals for the first time since 1998.

Washington's record-breaking win of 2004 came on April 28, when the Shoremen jumped out to a 7-1 halftime lead en route to a 10-3 win at Swarthmore. With that victory, they also completed their second consecutive unbeaten Centennial Conference regular season.

The Shoremen were awarded an at-large bid to the NCAA Division III tournament and were seeded second in the South Region. WC won a pair of close games to advance to the semifinals. The Shoremen opened the tournament with a 9-8 home win over Whittier College on May 15. Junior attackman Jon Spivey scored the game-winning goal with 41 seconds to play. Freshman attackman Kevin Nolan had a career day in the win for Washington, tallying three goals and two assists. Spivey added three goals and one assist, while senior midfielder Stephen Berger contributed two goals and one assist. Senior goalie Richard Yost made 13 saves.

After the Whittier game, the Shoremen played host to Gettysburg College for the third time this season, this time in the NCAA Division III quarterfinals on May 19. Washington had beaten the Bullets in the regular season, but suffered a 7-6 loss to Gettysburg in the Centennial Conference championship. In this final showdown of the season between the two teams, the Shoremen rallied from a 7-3 second-quarter deficit to record a 9-8 win. Berger scored three goals and assisted on two others in the win, while Yost made 17 saves, including 14 in the second half.

Washington's season came to an end on the road against Salisbury in the NCAA Division III Semifinals on May 23, but the Shoremen gave the unbeaten Sea Gulls their toughest test of the season. WC, which had lost in the regular season to Salisbury, 21-7, in the inaugural Charles B. Clark Cup game, jumped out to a 3-0 lead in the game before eventually falling, 13-11. Spivey scored a game-high four goals, while Berger scored two goals and handed out three assists. Freshman midfielder Mike Hughes won 20-of-26 faceoffs and scooped up a game-high 10 ground balls.

Berger, who was named the Centennial Conference Player of the Year for the second consecutive season, finished 2004 with 53 goals and 41 assists – good for a Washington College single-season record 94 total points. The previous record of 87 points was set by Paul Miller in 1988 and equaled by Jason Paige in 1994.

PHOTO: KEVIN TUCKER

Michael Dyal '04 helped the Shoremen beat Gettysburg twice this year.

Swimmers Are All-Americans

MARGARET Klag '04 and Ally Simons '07 each earned All-American status in two events at the NCAA Division III Women's Swimming and Diving Championships, hosted by Principia College and held at the Rec-Plex in St. Peters, MO, in March.

Klag, the first Shorewoman to ever qualify for the Division III Championships four years in a row, finished fourth in 1:06.02 in the finals of the 100 breaststroke. She finished third in the preliminaries in 1:06.33.

Klag also became an All-American in the 200 breaststroke, finishing 14th in the finals in 2:25.61. She swam a 2:25.53 to finish 16th in the preliminaries of the event.

Simons' top performance came in the 200 butterfly. She finished eighth in the finals in 2:07.46. In the preliminaries, she swam a conference- and school-record time of 2:06.01 to finish third.

Simons finished 14th in the 100 butterfly finals in 58.80. She tied for 16th in the preliminaries in 58.33 earlier in the day. She then won a swim-off in a lifetime-best time of 58.09 to earn the final spot in the consolation final.

Simons also finished 33rd in the preliminaries of the 200 individual medley in 2:12.67, while Klag tied for 34th in the 50 freestyle preliminaries in 25.05.

Margaret Klag '04

Ally Simons '07

Making History In The White House

DURING HIS 17 years in White House communications, Jackie Johnson '75 was the proverbial "fly on the wall," a witness to history unfolding, trusted with the nation's top secrets and a favored Presidential companion.

AS A YOUNG Army private, he wanted to jump out of airplanes. Instead, Jackie Johnson spent much of his Army career with the White House Communications Agency, assigned to one airplane in particular—Air Force One. During his service to four Presidents, Johnson visited 40 countries and stopped in every state in the union at least three times.

"I was able to do something most people never have an opportunity to do," Johnson reflects. "I went from college to the White House. I've traveled all over the world, and I've been privileged to see the inner workings of the federal government, to witness world events, to meet famous, and not-so-famous people.

"What I learned is that the interaction between Congress and the Presidency is not so cut-and-dried as I once supposed. It's about consensus-building, compromise, and sometimes, downright arm-twisting. There's a real power struggle within the White House, with the need to be close to the President, to have his ear."

After graduating with a degree in history on a faculty-sponsored scholarship, Johnson entered the Army's Signal School at Fort Gordon, GA, where he graduated first in his class for telecommunications specialist training. Instead of going for paratrooper training, he was offered a teaching role there.

"When the White House communications team visited the base, my company commander suggested I interview with them. They interviewed 300 soldiers and took two. I was one of them."

Johnson never looked back.

His first White House assignment was in secure communications. He spent his days encrypting and decrypting high-level messages. He was one of two operators who worked the Red Phone telecommunications circuit with the former Soviet Union, and the only operator to work telecommunication traffic with China.

Under the Reagan administration, Johnson moved to the audio/visual branch of the Agency. He quickly rose from technician to a supervisory role, directing a 30-member staff providing video, teleprompter and audio support for the President, the Vice President, the First Lady and others, including the Republican National Committee. He thrived in that environment, and came to love the process of recording history for posterity.

"I was one of the few people who had that type of access to the president," he recalls. My daily routine was to develop a schedule for recording presidential activities. I'd talk with the press secretary, the White House ushers, the Secret Service agents, the President's secretary, the president's aide—anyone involved in the planning process."

In this 1980s photo, Jackie Johnson '75 readies Ronald Reagan's microphone. Johnson will retire from the Army in August.

But the best-laid plans are cast aside during periods of crisis.

"When the Challenger blew up, I was sitting there in the office, watching it on tv," Johnson recalls. "I couldn't believe it had happened, but I knew what was expected of the President. He would go on national television, and it would be a late night. What I didn't know is that I'd be operating the teleprompter that night. I'll never forget sitting there, with 25 people in the Oval Office, watching the President as he said those words:

'We will never forget them, nor the last time we saw them, this morning, as they prepared for their journey and waved good-bye and slipped the surly bonds of earth to touch the face of God.'

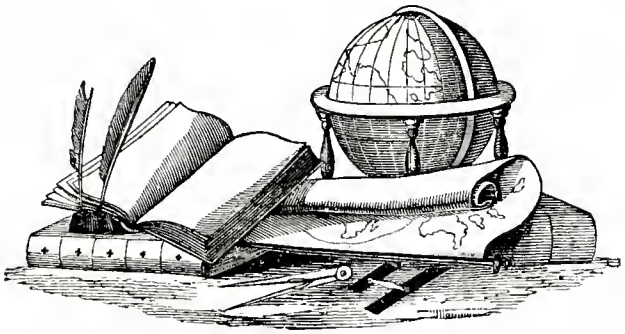
"Reagan was looking directly at me as he spoke. I'm not sure it was even on the script. That was one moment I'll never forget."

There have been other moments: traveling with President Carter to Germany to meet the American hostages who had been held in Iran; the day Ronald Reagan was shot; being alone in a room with Mikhail Gorbechev, who stared Johnson down as he checked the recording equipment; being bodily removed from a room by two massive KGB agents who mistook him for a member of the press.

Of the four presidents Johnson served, Ronald Reagan was the most personable. The President always took the time to talk to him, and Johnson took special pride in recording America's first actor-turned-president.

"Ronald Reagan was the Great Communicator," Johnson says. "He came across that way because of the setting he was in. How he sounded, how he appeared on television—we played a key role in providing that."

Faculty/Staff Achievements



An article by JOHN BUETTNER '89, Office of College Relations, titled "H.P. Lovecraft and the Mythos of Scientific Materialism," was recently translated into Italian and published in the anthology *H.P.Lovecraft: Sculptus in Tenberis*, published by Nuova Metropolis Edizioni, Novara, Italy.

KATHERINE CAMERON, assistant professor of psychology, presented three posters with five undergraduate co-authors at the Eastern Psychological Association Meeting in Washington, DC. The posters were titled: "Are men strong and women weak? Implicit and explicit gender stereotypes in undergraduates"; "Verbal Short-term memory and sentence production"; and "Understanding Icilin's influence on body temperature: A model for drug withdrawal in rats." Kathryn Solon '04, Jennifer Daley'04, Ana Thomas '05, Jonathan Fallica '06, and Jessica Hobbs '06 were the co-authors.

Assistant professor of political science, MELISSA DECKMAN, has just released the book *School Board Battles: The Christian Right and Local Politics*, published by Georgetown University Press as Vol. IV of the Series on Religion and Politics.

PEGGY DONNELLY, assistant professor of education, has delivered two papers in recent months: "The Impact of Pre-service Teachers' Use of Readers' Theatre on Multiple Stakeholders in Rural Professional Development Schools," presented at the State of Maryland International Reading Association Council; and "Portfolio Peer-review as Assessment: Affective Dimensions" presented at the annual meeting of the Eastern Educational Research Association in Clearwater, FL.

SANDRA HIORTDAHL '85, lecturer in English, presented the paper titled "Lexical Cohesion and Narrative Power in Gardner's Last Novels" at this year's John Gardner Conference held in Batavia, NY. Her short story, "Reciprocus," was accepted for publication by the literary magazine *Crux*. She was named "Outstanding Instructor of the Month" by the Alpha Delta Gamma Honor Society at Catholic University.

KARL KEHM, assistant professor of physics and earth and planetary science, has been awarded a Franklin Research Grant of $5,000 from the American Philosophical Society.

MICHAEL KERCHNER, associate professor of psychology, has had his paper, "Ultrasonic Courtship Vocalizations of Adult Male Mice: A Laboratory Exercise Illustrating Comparable Activation by either Estradiol or Testosterone," accepted for publication in the online peer-reviewed *Journal of Undergraduate Neuroscience Education*.

LAUREN LITTLEFIELD was promoted to the rank of associate professor this spring. She teaches in the psychology department. At Commencement, she received the Alumni Association's Award for Distinguished Teaching.

Michael Harvey, associate professor of business management, has been juggling several professional activities lately. He gave talks on "Hamlet and Leadership" at the University of Richmond's Jepson School of Leadership, and on "King Lear" at the Duke University Program in Leadership and the Arts in New York City. He also led a seminar on Machiavelli and leadership as part of a Brookings Institution leadership program and has been asked to co-edit, with Claremont College's Ron Riggio, *The Handbook of Leadership Studies*, to be published by Edward Elgar. In April, *Choice Current Reviews* cited his *Nuts and Bolts of College Writing* as "highly recommended," calling it a "worthy successor to *Strunk and White*." Harvey was promoted to the rank of associate professor and named chair of the department this spring.

PHOTO: JOHN WAGNER

Associate professor of political science and international studies, Tahir Shad, was a guest on the Marc Steiner Show, WYPR FM 88.1 in Baltimore, as part of an on-air discussion of the effectiveness and long-term consequences of assassinations as a military and political tactic.

KATHERINE MAYNARD, assistant professor of French, presented the paper "Annales du mal: D'Aubigné, Ronsard, and Visions of the Valois," at the New College Conference on Medieval Renaissance Studies in Sarasota, FL.

ERIN MURPHY '90, lecturer in English, has been named first-place winner of the National Writers Union Poetry Award. Her poem "ZipCodeMan" was selected by acclaimed poet Donald Hall to receive this annual award. The award includes a $500 cash prize and publication in *Poetry Flash*, the National Writers Union's poetry journal.

ANDREW OROS, assistant professor of political science and international studies, was a guest on the Marc Steiner Show, WYPR FM 88.1 in Baltimore, as part of an on-air discussion of American foreign policy and global leadership. He moderated two forums on "America's Role in the World," organized by the League of Women Voters of Kent and Queen Anne's counties and held at Heron Point and Chesapeake College respectively. He also delivered a lecture on Japan's nuclear weapons option at Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies.

PAMELA PEARS, assistant professor of French, presented her paper, "De-classifying Immigrant Identity: The Example of *Le Chinois vert d'Afrique*," at the 20th to 21st Century French and Francophone Studies International Colloquium at Florida State University.

KEN SCHWEITZER, lecturer in music, received his Doctor of Musical Arts from University of Maryland.

JOHN SEIDEL was promoted to the rank of associate professor this spring. He teaches anthropology.

A short story by Brazilian author, Márcio Souza, which GEORGE SHIVERS, professor of Spanish, translated for the *Amazonian Literary Review*, has just been reprinted and published in a new anthology, *Literary Amazonia: Modern Writing by Amazonian Authors*.

JANET SORRENTINO, assistant professor of history, has been accepted into the postdoctoral program at the Pontifical Institute of Mediaeval Studies at the University of Toronto during her junior leave. She will participate as a research fellow and have access to the University of Toronto libraries and faculty for her research project on medieval monastic liturgies. Recently, she has presented two papers at professional conferences. "Scrutator and Circator: Delegated Authority Making the Rounds," was given at the International Medieval Congress, Leeds, UK, and "Miracles at Matins: Miracles in the Servicium of St. Gilbert of Sempringham," at the Ecclesiastical History Society conference. An excerpt of her editorial review appeared on the cover of *Liturgies in Honor of St. Thomas Becket*, published by Kay Slocum with the University of Toronto Press.

SUSAN VOWELS, assistant professor of business management, has been named a Sam M. Walton Free Enterprise Fellow in recognition of her leadership and support of the Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) program at Washington College. SIFE is a national organization that encourages students to take what they are learning in the classroom and apply it to real-life situations, using their knowledge to better their communities through educational outreach projects that teach the value of free enterprise.

George Spilich, who holds the John Toll Chair, honors his namesake by becoming increasingly involved in higher education issues. The American Psychological Association's Education Directorate has certified Spilich, professor of psychology, as an external departmental evaluator. He is one of 20 APA certified consultants nationwide. He also wrote an invited chapter on the changing nature of graduate education in biostatistics for the *Encyclopedia of Statistics*, to be published in 2005, and presented the results of his laboratory research on smoking and working memory with co-author Kelly Beakley '03 at the Eastern Psychological Association.

PORTFOLIO

March Madness

Photography by Jim Graham '81

MOST WOULD SAY THE WEATHER WAS AWFUL: a chilly rain fell and fog hung over the Chester River early that March morning. But to Washington College rowers, it was a beautiful day—the river was flat and still, and the Caspersen Cup Regatta—an annual competition among three private Maryland colleges supported by The Hodson Trust—was in their back yard.

The Washington College men's rowing team finished first in three races, combining with the women to win the Cup outright for Washington College for the first time since 2000. Washington and Johns Hopkins have shared the cup each of the past two years. Since the inaugural race in 1993, the Shoremen owned the Cup seven times.

Clockwise from top: Sara Beegle '04 and Liz Smith '04 prepare to launch the women's varsity 8; the men's "A" boat took first in the men's varsity four in 6:11.94; Anna Germain '03, former All-American coxswain, leads the cheering section; Eileen Dickey from The Hodson Trust, representing Finn Caspersen, awards a medal to a first-place finisher.

A Collection *of* Winners

PHOTO CREDIT: MELISSA GRIMES-GUY

"POETRY HAS ALWAYS BEEN MY PRIMARY FOCUS. When I was younger, I was fond of quoting Sylvia Plath: "The blood jet is poetry,/ There is no stopping it." That was true, at least; I wrote poems constantly, hurriedly, and on every subject. The inspiration was there; the problem was, I had no formal frame of reference. I knew a few poetic terms, and had read some poems, but had no real idea of how a poem is crafted, of how many artistic decisions are at work in each line.

My years at Washington College changed that drastically. I read James Wright, Sharon Olds, Louise Glück, Adrienne Rich, e.e. cummings, Elizabeth Bishop, Theodore Roethke, and Denise Levertov; I studied, in depth, the minute calculations of line and word that made their poems sound like gongs when I read them. In my workshop classes, I learned how to make those calculations, and how to use the devices and conventions of poetry. I learned form, structure, sound, and rhythm."

—from the introduction to Haley's prize-winning portfolio.

BY ANGELA HALEY '04

REGARDING THE SLEEPLESS IN AIRPORTS
for J.T.J.; Stansted, London

Sleepers with later planes drape the seats;
the sleepless, we observe, guard their bags
on tile floors. They always plan to rest

after three. We could not determine why
those plans fail; we theorize watching clocks
keeps them wakeful. Their hands dart

from laps to mouths; many bite their nails.
None read. They check and re-check
tickets, wait, and travel alone.

We have found that they eat minutes,
pills, and exhaust, and that they drink
Italian coffees. They smoke prodigiously.

Most are too tired to blink, their eyes sunken
pits, red-laced. However, their slack
feet jitter as if they might be electrified.

We are investigating the possibility that,
if jostled or prodded, the sleepless would shatter
like eggshells to reveal hollow centers.

DRIVING OVER THE BRIDGE AT NIGHT

We watch buoys flash messages
to each other, red and green,
lonesome as fireflies. Bleakhearted,
the water churns and swallows every star.

Two hundred feet up, we smile
and say nothing. Behind us, our linked
hands are lifting planks and pilings
tenderly out of the spray.

ALCHEMY

Bells bellow arriving hours in cast-iron
tongues, and street signs shiver out replies;
wind wrenches at shingles shackled with glue,

strips tree-tips and rattles chain-links awake.
In shuttered houses, floorboards warp. The town
swells with groans, moans and mutters in its sleep.

But one window above one street is buoyed
up beyond sound. It blooms into blackness
like a yellow rose. Making love, a man

and woman are awash in low lamplight;
their blankets are thin, but where their skin meets,
they glow like heated filaments of gold.

STANZAS

These rooms have no bookshelves,
only haphazard stacks of volumes
long-unread, cloth skins decaying,
that exhale in phrases and musk;

there are no windows in case
you lose interest, the white walls
unrelieved by sunset, alder,
sidewalk, parked cars, escape.

Focus on furniture: one couch,
its leather sticking to your legs,
mahogany chairs without arms
arranged in phalanxes, groaning.

Look straight ahead or down;
never mind the whispering
ghosts that crowd the door,
voices painting air behind you.

Try to stay awake. Try to listen,
over the sighing radiator, to the figure
at the podium, facing away from you,
who reads from pages blank as walls.

Angela Haley won the 2004 Sophie Kerr prize with a portfolio of poetry, fiction and criticism, from which these poems were selected. She continues to live in Chestertown and work at The Feast of Reason, a local sandwich shop, while exploring graduate school alternatives.

THE TOLL FACTOR

IMPRESSIONS OF THE JOHN TOLL PRESIDENCY

IF YOU ASKED STAFF, alumni, friends and supporters how best to summarize the successes of Washington College over the past decade, many could in three short words—"The Toll Factor."

So what is it? Students and staff know it intuitively; they see its effects, many times without knowing the cause. Alumni and benefactors know it. Like a healthy glow, its strength and vigor attracts their support, their pride and their hopes for the future of Washington College.

Borrowing from a rudimentary understanding of physics—*with apologies, Dr. Toll!*—one might call it "magnetism." No doubt, John Toll has the ability to attract the best, draw in supporters, and marshal resources to meet institutional goals.

And, drawing from his own field of high-energy, nuclear research, one might call it "fusion," taking an institution's disparate elements and fusing them into a new whole, which is more energetic and more powerful than the parts alone.

"As a development officer for the College charged with securing private contributions from alumni and friends, I see 'The Toll Factor' in action every day," says Don Moore II, associate vice president for development. "I define it as is a unique blend of stature, credibility, accomplishment and rare authentic sincerity. Those might seem old-fashioned, but they're not. That kind of personality still impresses people and moves them to throw their support behind the College."

Ever self-effacing in his gentlemanly way, Dr. Toll says he was not aware that his friends and associates at the College used such a term.

"I never knew that," he laughs, but he is quick to step back and let the limelight fall on others.

BY JOHN BUETTNER '89

"Presidents get credit for a lot more than they deserve. We're the nominal heads or leaders of the institution, but, in fact, a lot of good people are doing the work."

BOLD STEPS

HOWEVER YOU DEFINE "The Toll Factor," the changes that Dr. John Toll has wrought on this 222-year-old institution cannot be denied. One facet of his presidency is the ability to take calculated risks balanced by rock-solid credibility. One example is the Washington Scholars program.

In 1995, Washington College was facing a series of crises—in finances, student recruitment and faculty development. At an age when most people are contemplating the relaxing, unhurried, low-pressure years of retirement, Toll found himself ready to be reimmersed in the torrents of college administration.

If his original plan had been followed, he might have had the shortest presidency in the history of the College. Brought in as the acting president in 1995 until a successor could be found for Charles Trout, Toll had no intention of making Washington College a permanent home. Smashing atoms and working with the University of Maryland's physics graduate students were at the forefront of his mind. But with some coaxing from board members John Moag '77 and long-time friend and ally the late Louis L. Goldstein '35, Toll dove in headlong to tackle the tough issues plaguing the College.

"I led Dr. Toll around my sophomore year when I was interning in the Maryland General Assembly, and he was there to lobby on behalf of Washington College. I was continually amazed at the number of people who would go out of their way to greet him as if they were old friends. And as for being in his late 70s, he did not show any fatigue whatsoever after walking around the state complex for six hours."

— David Bauer '04

Again, if Toll had followed the mold of most new college presidents, his first year would have been a quiet period of taking stock, measuring Washington College's strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats. That mold was soon to be broken.

Toll seized the opportunity at his inauguration on September 16, 1995, to launch a new initiative—the Washington Scholars program offering $40,000 scholarships to all accepted applicants who were members of the National Honor Society or *Cum Laude* Society.

"President Toll asked questions and wanted real answers. He would sit down with us, ask about our experiences at Washington College and share his own stories of travel and work. It is nice to know that he cared about how his decisions and choices affected the student body."

— Brenna Nan Schneider '06

"I presented the plan for these scholarships at the Board's April meeting that year," he remembers. "I said we have empty places, we haven't filled the capacity of the institution. It makes sense to find a program that attracts lots of good students, and I suggested that we give scholarships to members of the National Honor Society, a group that includes, overall, fewer than 10 percent of American high school students. That was a bold financial commitment, and I am very proud of the Board for doing that."

Like many of Toll's initiatives, the Washington Scholars program fused together many disparate elements—the need to increase annual revenue, to attract the best and brightest, and to raise the College's prestige and visibility—in a new approach that put the College on a stronger footing.

"The plan called for offering $10,000 per year scholarships," he explains. "That represented almost half of the cost of coming to Washington College at the time. Quite a commitment of resources."

And in typical Toll fashion, the wager was tempered by strategic thinking that included more pay-offs for the institution over time.

"It was a very successful gamble, and an act of courage for the Board. It required a long-term commitment. But we have been raising tuition and fees every year, so as a proportion of the total expenses after eight or ten years it is much, much less. It also has helped us get a group of partners out there—the National Honor Society advisers—recruiting students for us. Most importantly, it continues to be as good for us as it is for our students. They are not only academically outstanding, but they also must be involved in community service and be outgoing people—precisely the kind of students we want."

LET GEORGE DO THE TALKING

WHILE HE WORKED to transform and reorganize the College's resources to make it stronger and more competitive, Toll did not ignore the traditions and the historical connections that make Washington College unique among other colleges of liberal arts. In fact—perhaps as an expression of a self-effac-

"Dr. Toll is a man of remarkable energy, tremendous passion for his work, amazing focus and genuine warmth. He has been an incredibly successful President of Washington College, and is truly a great man."

—Bryan Matthews, Director of Athletics

talking, making a conscious effort to reawaken the memory of the College's founding.

"People always knew it," he says, "but we gave it a new clarity of expression and importance to our work here at the College. After all, this is a unique college—the only college where George Washington served on the Board."

From the bicentennial year of Washington's death (which was commemorated with a visit from former President George H. W. Bush) to the excitement in his voice when the subject of the College's founding is broached, Toll's appreciation for its founding patron is evident. Perhaps it is a reflection of the values of tact, diplomacy and consensus-building that he believes all leaders?even college presidents?should practice.

"People ask, what makes this democracy unique, and the answer is George Washington," he says. "He exercised a new style of leadership that sought to create cooperation between rivals instead of letting bitter opposition degrade into internecine war. Despite disagreements, he kept their aspirations high. He didn't give them answers, but got groups together, let them formulate goals."

Therefore, Toll asserts, let Washington "set the tone and direction" of the institution.

"I tell students that there are many people you can admire—even I have Einstein's picture on the wall of my office—but above all I hope they come to an appreciation for George Washington. We were shaped by George Washington—we should point that out to people. So we need to let him shape us today."

"When John Toll was appointed as interim president, I couldn't believe we could get such a great guy on such short notice. When he was hired full-time, I thought it was a bad decision, that he was far too old for the position. Less than a year later I was eating my words at every single meal. He had the energy of a teenager. It was almost like having two presidents during the Toll era."

— Terry Scout,
the Connie and Carl Ferris
Associate Professor of
Business Management

FOUNDATIONS FOR THE FUTURE

ALTHOUGH HE might be too reserved to claim "The Toll Factor," in the end, Toll doesn't hesitate to share the secret of his method.

"The most important thing I tried to do as a president is choose very good people for the institution. You work with the Board, faculty and committees to keep your goals high so that you really do choose people who are best for the job concerned—people who are committed to the job and committed to the institution. You stand out of the way and let them do great work."

"President Toll has been a great proponent of the sciences at the College, as is most clearly shown in the construction of the new science building. He has been particularly supportive of women in the sciences and was pivotal in securing the Clare Boothe Luce Professorship in Chemistry, which provides funds not only for my professional development, but also for student research students, many of whom are women."

— Leslie Sherman,
Clare Booth Luce
Assistant Professor of
Chemistry

In the view of Professor Robert Fallaw in the history department, perhaps the greatest legacy that Toll leaves is exactly that sense of confidence and empowerment, that Washington College has been positioned to take on these challenges and achieve greater things.

"It might be said that one could gauge John Toll's achievements at Washington College by bringing forward what was said about the Emperor Augustus—that he found Rome brick and left it marble," Fallaw says.

"If you want to see his monuments look around you. In a modern context, John Toll might be said to be the same. He built at Washington College vital edifices of learning. But just as important he built a new *esprit de corps* at the College. He stimulated us all—faculty, students and staff—to believe that we were doing something significant and important, and making a real contribution to this region. He successfully inculcated this self-esteem because he believed it himself."

And we still do.

For John Buettner, media relations associate, the Toll Factor has elevated the College's national profile.

"It is Affirmed, John Toll is a Triple Crown Winner who stands tall among his friends and peers. He knows them as Jim, Robert, Hans, Steve and Rita. But when you dig a little deeper you will soon discover very modestly that these are the very same people who have led the scientific charge of this country for the last century. It is Jim Watson, Robert Oppenheimer, Hans Bethe, Stephen Hawking and Rita Colwell. John Toll is a giant among giants."

— Thomas H. Gale,
Chair of the Development Committee
of the Board of Visitors and Governors,
at The 1782 Society's Preakness Party.

What THE SHADOW *Knows*

AS A COMMUNITY, WE HAVE GATHERED SEVERAL TIMES this spring to pay tribute to the Tolls and the tireless work they have done for Washington College. But I wonder how many of you can really imagine how much work they have done—or how tirelessly they have done it. I couldn't imagine. If I'd had the slightest inkling I wouldn't have this story to tell you now.

In the late 1990s I was the College's Alumni Director and I was a student in Professor Harvey's class "Principles of Management." One of the assignments for this course was to research a famous businessperson and to write about his or her leadership qualities. Most of my classmates went off to read about Bill Gates or Jeff Bezos. But I didn't want to spend a weekend in Miller Library. I had a lazier, or so I thought, idea. I was going to follow President Toll around and write about that. The only hurdle I had to leap was getting Dr. Toll's permission. Everybody knows that he doesn't like to be the center of attention and will quickly divert focus from his work to the College's concerns and accomplishments. So I told him that I needed his help to pass my class. So he hesitantly agreed that I could shadow him through his next week's schedule. "If it will help you learn," I remember him saying.

BY P TRAMS HOLLINGSWORTH '75 M'96

How, I wondered, could Big Bang theory of the universe and a balanced budget for Washington College coexist in one mind without some kind of weird super collision?

It will be like a vacation, I remember thinking.

I went home that night and wrote the first line of my paper which I was sure would earn me an A in this honors course and then be published in the *Washington Post Magazine*. I remember that first line: "In his floor-length green velvet Convocation robe, this guy could be a stunt double for the Pope." The rest, I was sure, would flow as I followed this stunt guy around for a while.

I never wrote another line.

It was the last week in October. I can't remember the date but that Monday was Dr. Toll's seventy-something birthday. His buddies in Bunting had planned a surprise party for him before Senior Staff meeting. I remember thinking, as I ate my piece of cake, "This is going to be a piece of cake." Then I sat through Senior Staff meeting and the President's one-on-ones with each of his vice presidents. I had pledged to keep all information shared in these meetings in strictest confidence. Others must be good at this because I remember thinking "Whoa, there's a lot more going on around here than I know about." Dr. Toll knew about all of it.

Afternoon meetings included the SGA president and the *Elm* editor. We went to dinner that night in the cafeteria, then to a women's basketball game in Cain Gym and, after that, to a student drama production in Tawes Theater. I got home way past my bedtime and was too tired to put my notes into my computer.

Tuesday, Dr. Toll was scheduled for a marathon of meetings on the Western Shore. First was an early meeting with physicists at the University of Maryland. Dr. Toll still had an office there and a secretary, Mary, who was waiting, she told me, for her boss to come back to the really big work of quirks and quarks.

He is, she reminded me, one of the world's great physicists. How, I wondered, could Big Bang theory of the universe and a balanced budget for Washington College coexist in one mind without some kind of weird super collision?

But then Dr. Toll was driving me around the Beltway at about 90 mph and other big bangs were all I could think about.

His next meeting was with MICUA, I think. All I can recall is a conference table the length of an ocean liner around which were seated education professionals with titles as long as the table and all of them were attending to Dr. Toll as if they were students in his honors class.

It might have been the next meeting, or the next, or the next, where Dr. Toll lobbied for high-speed Internet connections for the college on the Shore. It might have been the meeting after that, or the one after that, or the one after that, where he negotiated a long-distance learning partnership between WC and the National Guard. My brain was banging big time.

That night Dr. Toll stayed in Washington so he and Debby could accompany Betty Brown Casey [Class of 1947] to the opera. I went to my Mom's house nearby and fell asleep watching *Seinfield*. So I didn't get the day's notes in my computer.

I'm not sure what happened the next day either. I was too tired to take notes. I had been shadowing the president for three days. My brain was throbbing. My muscles were aching. I was on the verge of a breakdown keeping up with his breakneck schedule. "I need a nap!" I wanted to scream. But I couldn't stand the idea of Joe Holt's all-knowing smirk in response to my sniveling. So the shadow stumbled numbly on through the rest of the president's long day and long night.

I never took any more notes, but I don't need them to remember the next day. That was the day that Dr. Toll was being piloted by trustee Cliff Schroeder to visit Finn Caspersen at his home in New Jersey. Finn Caspersen is the chairman of The Hodson Trust, the College's most generous benefactor. I don't know what was to be discussed at that meeting but I know it was important and I was to have Dr. Toll to BWI's small jet terminal in plenty of time to meet his ride.

When I drove onto Water Street at sunrise, Dr. Toll was walking out the door of Hynson-Ringgold House. He had a briefcase handle in his right hand, a briefcase handle in his left hand, and a

It was his idea, I swear, that I leave him on the shoulder of the road, with a briefcase handle in his right hand, a briefcase handle in his left hand, and a briefcase handle between his teeth. So I did.

briefcase handle between his teeth. It was a sight that summed up leadership for me. I thought I had it.

I would know so much more by the end of that day.

The plane took off on time and I thought I'd spend the day at the airport writing my term paper. But first I called the Alumni Office to check in and they told me to call my husband. My husband told me as carefully as he could that our dog had been hit in the road. The veterinarians were trying to put him back together but they weren't sure they could save him.

This was before we all had cell phones, and not knowing was terrible. I couldn't leave Dr. Toll without a ride. I couldn't think of anything but my dog. I paced, I cried, I pleaded with Fate, until Dr. Toll's plane came back.

I was supposed to take Dr. Toll from BWI to a 1782 Society reception at the Oxford Yacht Club. I don't know if Dr. Toll ever had a dog he loved as much as I loved my mine. He didn't say. But at the intersection of Routes 50 and 213, Dr. Toll told me to drop him by the side of the road and to hurry as fast as I could to the animal hospital.

It was his idea, I swear. He was confident, he assured me, that Debby or someone from the Development Office would be passing by soon on their way to Oxford and would recognize the hitchhiker as the evening's host.

It was his idea, I swear, that I leave him on the shoulder of the road, with a briefcase handle in his right hand, a briefcase handle in his left hand, and a briefcase handle between his teeth. So I did. I drove 90 mph to the animal hospital. My dog was alive. Alive then and alive now.

Somebody must have picked Dr. Toll up from the side of the road in the middle of nowhere because early the next morning when I went to his office he was writing notes to each of the College supporters whom he'd seen the night before. It's little things like this that make people think of him as a great leader. Most of them will never know of the really big thing he did for me that day. And how right they are in their assessments.

Monday had been Dr. Toll's birthday. Saturday was the Tolls wedding anniversary. That day the Tolls were scheduled to join our alumni tour, "Wild About WC," at the Philadelphia Zoo. I remember asking Debby if she was okay with sharing her special day with so many strangers and naked mole rats. And she graciously said she was. Then while Dr. Toll was off among graduates and giraffes, Debby told me about their courtship.

"Johnny" she said, "was the bachelor president of SUNY when the Board convened a clandestine search committee to find him a wife. Debby was one of many candidates. She played tennis with him a few times and then, because the president put her on his short list, he invited her to the dedication of a new college building. That was in the '70s, she explained, when it was fashionable for students to revolt against authority even when the only weapons they proposed using were gold ribbon-cutting scissors. So on that special date SUNY president John Toll got hit in the face with a whipped cream pie.

Debby remembered that he'd just smiled as he fingered the dessert topping from his eyes into his mouth. She told me she'd loved him ever since, watched his diet ever since, and spent a lot of birthdays and anniversaries at college events ever since. At least you'll get to have a special evening, I said. "Oh yes!" she said and started telling me—with real enthusiasm—about the prospective donors they were having dinner with. Leaders are different from me, I remember thinking.

But not altogether, I found out.

Even the boss in the Bible rested one day in seven. But not my boss. My last day of shadowing the president was Sunday. It was Halloween. The Tolls were entertaining faculty and neighbors at the same trick-or-treaters were banging on their door. Spiderman, a Spanish teacher, a princess, a psychologist and many others mingled in the front hall as Dr. Toll passed cocktails and candy bars. It was a great sight and I took some funny photographs. But my most lasting image of that night is this:

Debby was talking with somebody about something when her husband walked by, caught an instant of the conversation and offered a factual correction. Debby turned to me and whispered: "Johnny says I'm interesting but he's truthful." But somehow her husband caught that instant of our conversation and offered another factual correction. "That's not so," he said. "We're both truthful. You are interesting. I'm only accurate."

It is an insight that I have used to save my own marriage on many occasions.

I never wrote my paper. I was too tired. But I learned a lot about leadership. I learned— and this is interesting and accurate and true—that John and Debby Toll are a team. Together they have done—and I'm here to tell you—exhausting work for Washington College. And they have done it—though I can't tell you how—tirelessly. The evidence of their successes is all around us. They have made our College a better and more secure place to learn and laugh and love. Now and for a long, long time.

And for this we thank them with all our hearts.

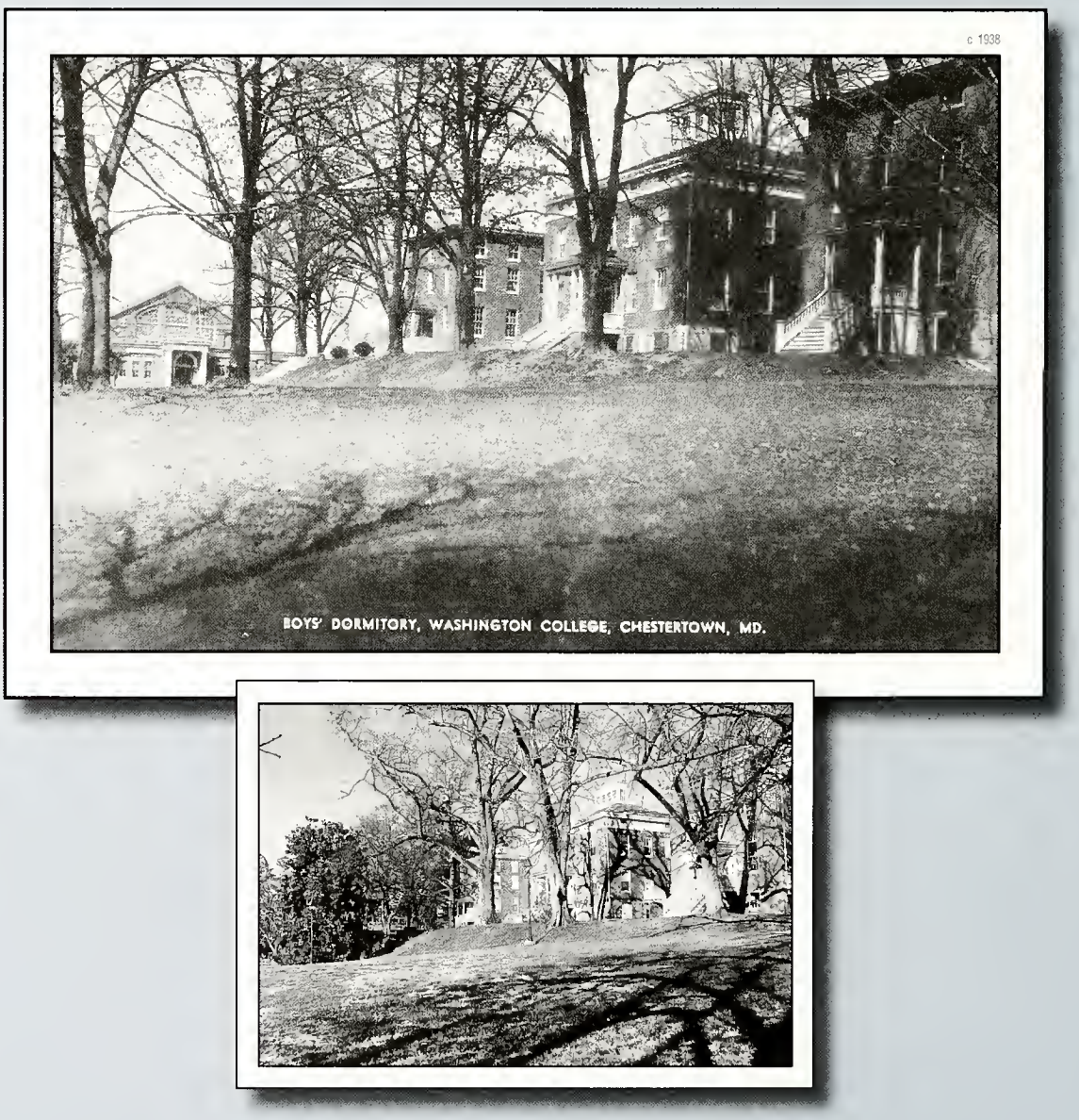
Even the boss in the Bible rested one day in seven.

But not my boss.

P Trams Hollingsworth, former Director of Alumni Relations, delivered a version of this story to an audience gathered on campus in April to celebrate John Toll's presidency.

The Way We Were

Capturing the Past Through A Contemporary Lens



PHOTOGRAPHS BY JEFFREY ST. JOHN '04

Above: The view of Chestertown's Water Street, with the rumored colonial brothel in the foreground, has changed little over the last century. Opposite: Washington College's Hill Dorms, the oldest existing College buildings, have always been campus landmarks.

HEARING STORIES OF A NOW-GHOSTLY AMUSEMENT PARK

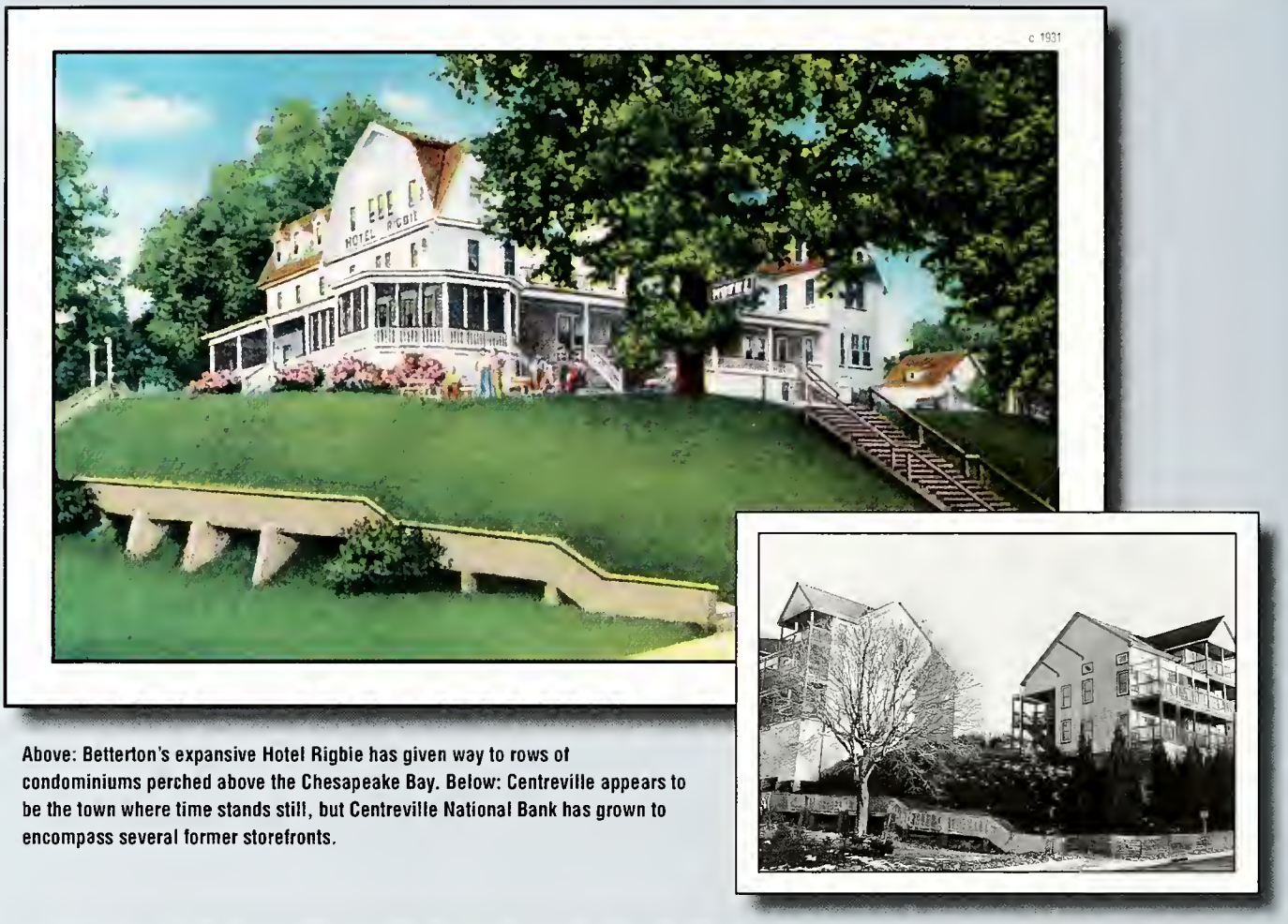
on the shores of the Chesapeake Bay, a brothel

that once overlooked the busiest port in the county,

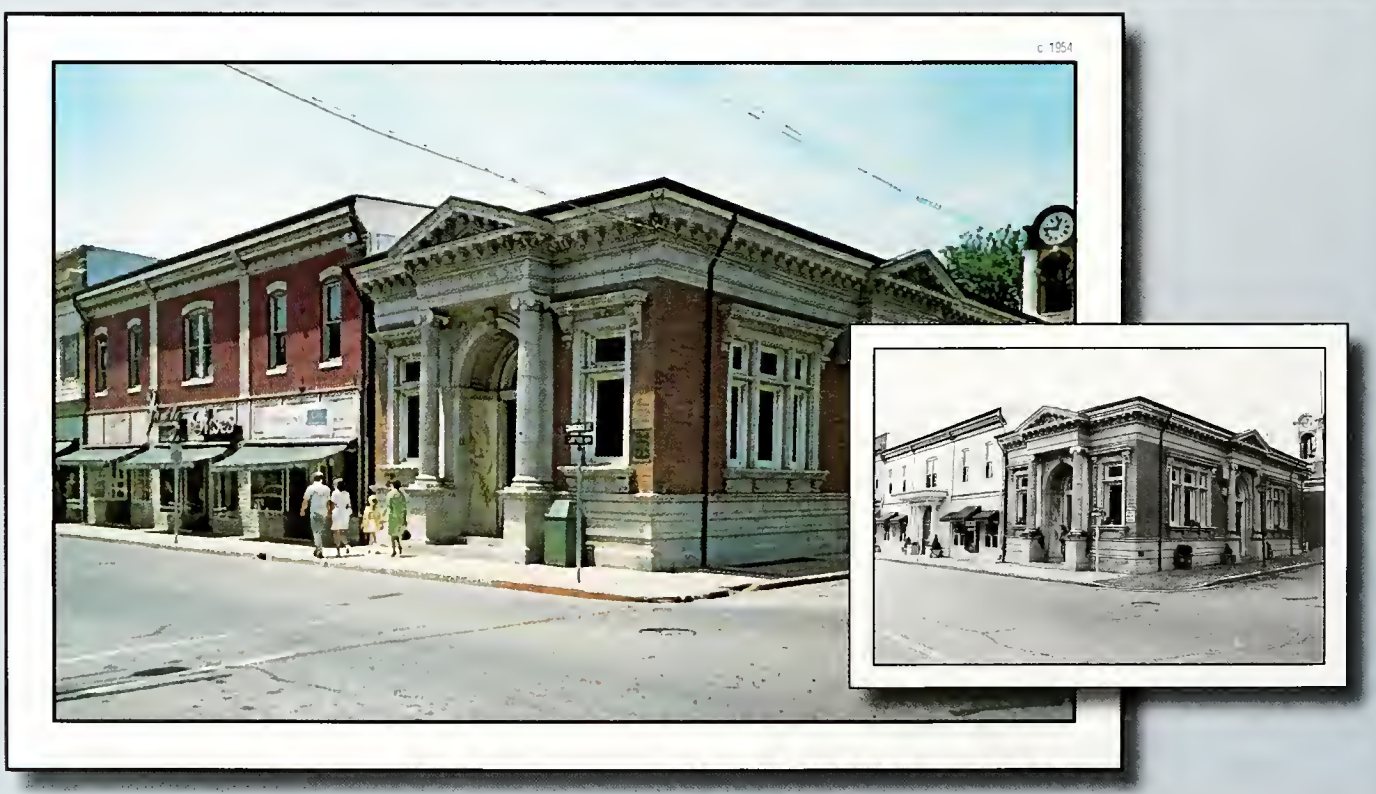
and a resort town with a dance hall that hung out over the water,

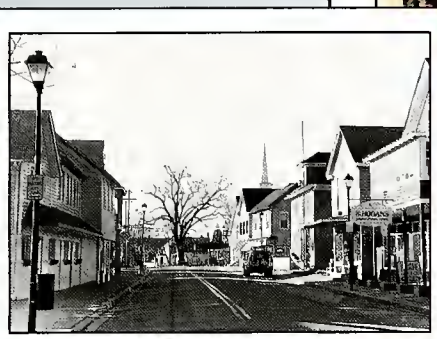
an art student far from home discovers a way

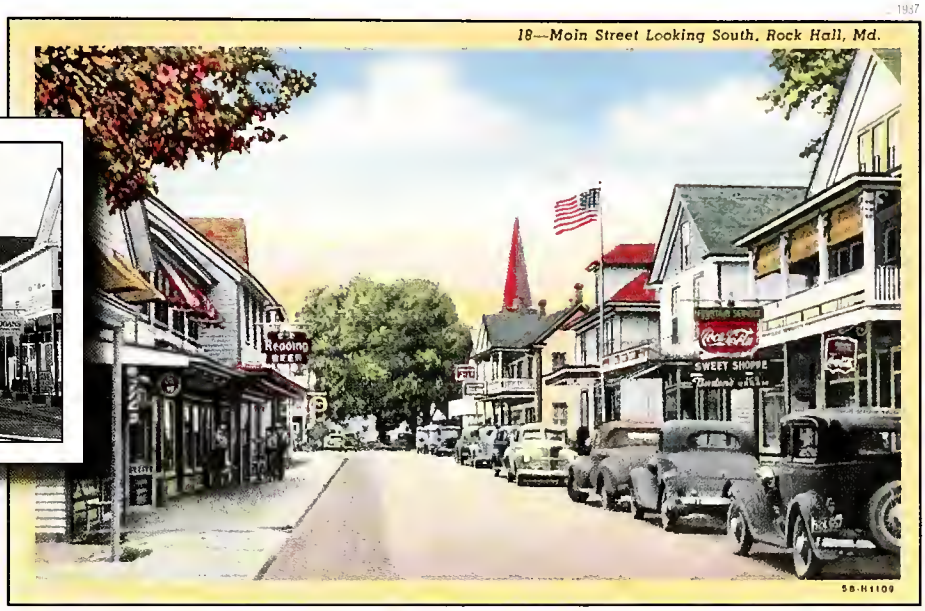
to ground himself in the history of the Eastern Shore.



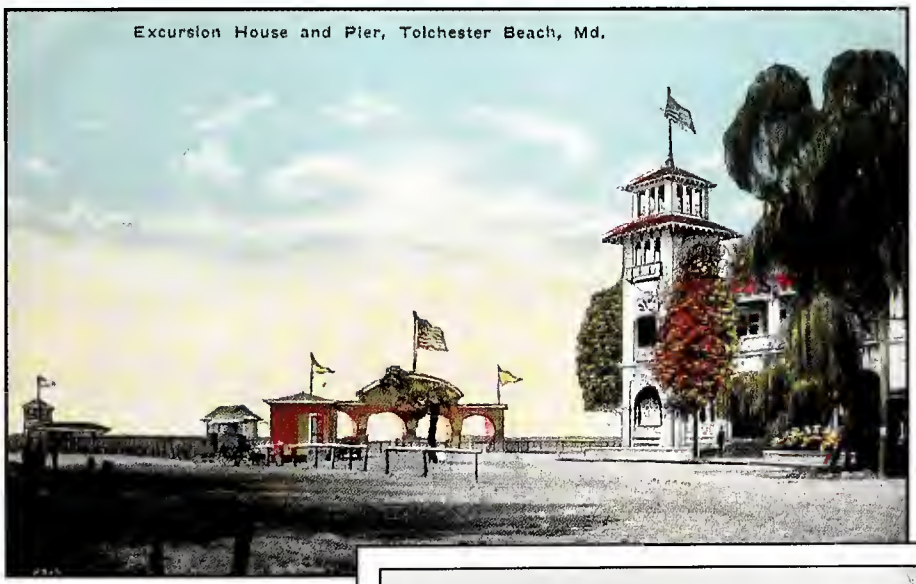
Above: Betterton's expansive Hotel Rigbie has given way to rows of condominiums perched above the Chesapeake Bay. Below: Centreville appears to be the town where time stands still, but Centreville National Bank has grown to encompass several former storefronts.







On Rock Hall's Main Street, the store names have changed but the small-town charm remains the same.



Memories of a bustling tourist attraction dead-end at Tolchester Beach. The beach resort enjoyed its heyday from the late 1800s through the mid-1950s, attracting visitors who ferried from Baltimore to enjoy the beach and amusement park. The resort declined with the advent of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge in 1954, and finally closed in 1962.

In old postcards from Tolchester, Chestertown and Betteron Beach, Jeffrey St. John found symbols of what people valued, what photographer Mark Citret called "the monuments we build to ourselves." Through "re-photography," St. John has chronicled how much, or how little, those monuments have changed.

"On their own," he says, none of these pictures is particularly miraculous, but together in their comparisons they are art, history, sociology and anthropology all rolled into one."

Jeffrey St. John graduated in May with a degree in art and business management. These postcards and re-photographs, part of a collection of 15 pairs of images, were on display during the Senior Art Show.

Alumni Elect Grieves, Young To Board

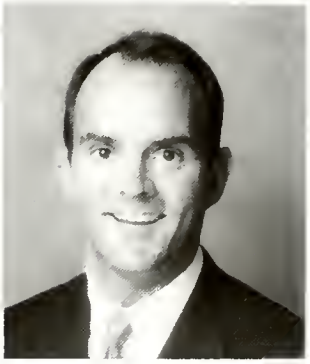
MEMBERS OF THE Alumni Association elected Richard B. "Dicky" Grieves '83 and Albert J. A. "Jay" Young '81 to represent them on the Board of Visitors and Governors. The beginning of their six-year term coincides with the start of a new presidential administration on July 1.

"Coming onto the Board during a time of change in leadership in the institution is an exciting prospect," says Young, an attorney in Bel Air, MD. "New leadership tends to generate a healthy reevaluation of the college's policies, procedures, goals and strategic planning. I welcome the opportunity to have input in the discussion, analysis and implementation of these new strategies from the outset. The timing of my election is also fortunate because the tremendous success of the capital campaign has provided the resources to achieve significant progress."

Young, a two-time Student Government Association president who earned a political science degree, has served as a member of the Alumni Council, Visiting Committee, the Milestone Council and The 1782 Society.

An investment adviser, Grieves is Vice President and Manager of the Janney, Montgomery and Scott, Inc. office in Easton, MD. Grieves, whose prowess as a lacrosse midfielder for the Shoremen is legendary, has been active with several corporate and nonprofit organizations, including the Baltimore Relief Foundation, The Radcliffe Creek School, The Country School Capital Campaign Committee and the Talbot Lacrosse Association. He is a member of The 1782 Society.

"Since my years as a student I have continued to hold the College and its mission in the highest regard," Grieves says. "My college experience shaped me both personally and professionally, and I firmly believe that it is essential for me to give back to the College. I fell in love with Chestertown nearly 25 years ago and I continue to spend a great deal of my time and resources in Kent County. I look forward to playing a role in ensuring that Washington College's future is strong, so that others may also benefit from all this institution has to offer."



Dicky Grieves '83 (left) and Jay Young '81 are the newest members of the Board of Visitors and Governors.

Business Program Turns 20

BUSINESS IS booming, and has been since 1985, when the fledgling business management department, in its inaugural year, became the largest on campus in terms of majors. This May, the 20th class of business majors earned a Washington College degree,

WAC REMATCH

Alumni Face Off

Jay Elliott '75 keeps a close eye on an opposing player in the alumni lacrosse game held before the men's varsity game with Gettysburg College in April. More than 40 alumni returned for a full day of lacrosse—playing, watching and socializing.

PHOTO KEVIN TUCKER

and next year marks the 20th anniversary of the founding of the department.

In the years since the College launched its business management program, the major has maintained a consistent place among the top five most popular majors. The program graduates 25-35 majors each year and now accounts for nearly 700 business graduates among the entire alumni body.

That's some serious business clout which Terry Scout, the program's first full-time professor and chair of the department, hopes to tap. Scout is enlisting the aid of business management alumni to develop a yearlong series of events celebrating the 20th anniversary during the upcoming academic year. The celebration will culminate with a special event during Reunion weekend in May 2005.

Business graduates who wish to help plan and organize this special commemoration should contact Professor Scout directly by e-mail at tscout2@washcoll.edu. Heather Mayr Tackney '93 and Alhamisi Simms '02 have already agreed to help.

Remembering A Friend

REUNIONS ARE perfect opportunities for rekindling old friendships and remembering those dear friends who have passed on. After the Alumni Council brunch, outgoing president Valarie Sheppard '86 and new president Lorraine Kenton Polvinale '69 paused to remember Barbie Parris Lawence '75, the 1970s Decade Representative who died unexpectedly last year.

"Barbie's family and friends donated money in her memory to the College because she loved this place so much," notes Carol Tait, associate director of alumni affairs. "We used a portion of that money to purchase a bench on Martha Washington Square, which was dedicated to her in April."

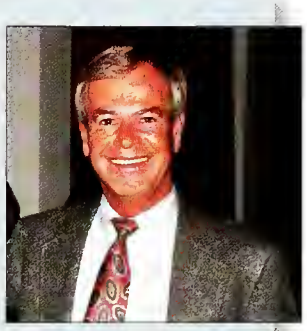
At the time of her death, Lawrence was the senior personnel management specialist in the human resources department of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission in Washington, DC. Devoted to the College, Lawrence had served as president of the Washington area alumni chapter, and made frequent trips to Chestertown for College events. She rarely missed a Reunion.

The rest of the money given in her memory will be used to fund the Alumni Office's new student ambassadors program. In the coming months, staffers will be selecting undergraduates to represent the College at alumni chapter events across the country.

During Reunion, outgoing Alumni Council president Valarie Sheppard '86 (left) and her successor, Lorraine Kenton Polvinale '69 pause on the bench dedicated to Barbie Parris Lawrence '75.

IN MEMORIAM

Edward M. Athey '67



An alumnus, trustee and avid sports fan, Edward M. Athey '67 passed away May 20 at his home in Chestertown. He was 58.

He had worked tirelessly on behalf of his alma mater even while battling cancer. Athey will be remembered for his devotion to Washington College, which closely paralleled his family life. The two interests were intertwined since 1948 when his father, Edward L. Athey '43, returned to Chestertown to serve as Washington College's athletic director, a post he would occupy for nearly forty years. The connection later spanned a third generation: Athey's daughters, Carolyn and Lisa, as well as a nephew, Charlie, are also dedicated alumni, and another nephew, Andy, is a current undergraduate.

Athey's service to the College was likewise longstanding. He served as Chair of the Washington College Community Fund from 1984 until 1987, as a member of the Alumni Council (both as Vice-President and then President) from 1990 until 1996, and since 1997 as an alumni-elected representative to the Board of Visitors and Governors. Re-elected to that post in 2003, he was an active trustee, serving as chair of the student life committee as well as on committees overseeing admissions and financial aid and development.

Athey attended Washington College from 1963-65, earning his B.A. from Catawba College and a M.Ed. from Western Maryland College. He returned to his Kent County community in 1968 as a teacher, coach and guidance counselor before joining FAM&M Insurance, Inc., where he served as President and CEO at the time of his death.

In addition to his two daughters, his father and stepmother Margaret, Athey is survived by his wife, Cathy, his brother Ron, his sister Patricia Grieb, and three grandchildren.

At the request of his family, Washington College has established an Edward M. Athey '67 Memorial Fund. If you would like to remember him in this way, please send your donation to the College.

It's a Party, Party Weekend

Photography by Melissa Grimes-Guy

A record turnout of alumni and a large contingent of seniors participated in a picture-perfect Reunion 2004. Weekend highlights included the traditional campus picnic, Professor Bennett's Lamond's "Last Class," a cruise aboard the *Annie D* for the Class of 1964, and dancing to the Maxx. Marylil Knotts Humphreys '39, shown greeting President John Toll, was the oldest returning alumna, back for her 65th Reunion.

CLASS NOTES

Your Alumni Office is delighted to announce the revitalization of the class agent system! You can see the fruits of your class agent's efforts below. For those of you who have a class agent, please send your class note along to them. Your classmates are anxious to hear from you! If your class does not yet have an agent and you would be interested in serving, please call Carol Tait at 800-422-1782 ext. 7143.

1942
CLASS AGENT: Bob Carter

1943
MOLLY BURRELL SALISBURY
reports that "all is going well and the sea gulls are still flying over our home."

1946
CLASS AGENT: Peggy Benton Smith

1948
CLASS AGENT: Don Derham

MARGOT ALBINSON CONANT
and her husband, Gil, are well. They attended the Mardel/Talbot County farewell reception for Dr. and Mrs. Toll at the Cambridge Hyatt. They have been playing bridge out and about in Sussex County, DE, and often play with Thorney Lynam '49. Barb Evans Oelschlaeger '48 and her husband, Russ, visited in April.

JOE SUTTON
and his wife, Jane Lewis Sutton '52, write, "We are truly blessed! Love Easton and St. Simon's Island, GA, where we winter. We have four healthy children and seven grandchildren."

1949
REUNION CHAIR: Jean Urffer Africa

LOIS PROCTOR PARKER
is a retired educator. She retired as Montgomery County's Career Education Coordinator in 1990 and started L.P. Parker Associates, a consulting agency to establish school/business and community partnerships. She is active in church work, does some traveling, and enjoys her family—one daughter and two grown grandchildren—and her friends.

FLORA BARRETT RUSSELL
and her husband, John, have moved to Solomons, MD. Flo enjoys duplicate bridge several times a month. John is using his new PC to record pictures and slides.

EDWIN WEBER
retired in 1996 from the State of Maryland where he worked in various environmental capacities for 47 years. Since then he has remained a Secretary to the Maryland Ad Hoc Committee on Oil. He is a member of the Annapolis Civitan and volunteers for Meals on Wheels. He and his wife, Nancy, enjoy working on home improvement projects, spending time with friends, and sharing life with their daughter, two sons and nine grandchildren.

1951
ROBERT RICHAROSON
is enjoying his retired life: boating, fishing and traveling. He is Past Commander of the U.S. Power Squadron and is still active in boating safety, photography and travel. He is spoiling his granddaughter.

ODEN LEE SMITH
writes, "I eat, sleep and keep well – and play plenty of bridge."

1952
CLASS AGENT: Jack Bacon

1953
CLASS AGENT: Tony Tonian

Charlotte Hignutt '45 has just completed her house in Palenque, Chiapas, Mexico. She says there have been high moments ("Both your wells have a lot of water") and low moments ("An iguana just went into your house and we can't find it.") She has a new technical Spanish vocabulary plus a few intensely descriptive expressions picked up from her workers. She invites her friends and teachers of subjects adaptable to studies of the Maya and/or tropical areas to contact her. charlotte_hignutt@hotmail.com

1954
REUNION CHAIR: Bob Lipsitz

1955
CLASS AGENT: Barbara Townsend Cromwell

BARBARA TOWNSEND CROMWELL
received the Amy Harris Robbins award for community service from Zeta Tau Alpha International on February 28, 2004.

POLLY TAYLOR GRIMALDI
is a nutritional consultant and is working on her fifth book.

BARBARA JONES WINNE
has moved from freezing Colorado to sunny Ft. Myers, FL, where she is enjoying the pool, playing golf and other activities in her retirement community. Her son Richard is an anesthesiologist in NJ with three daughters. Her son Patrick works at Keystone Ski Resort in Colorado, where he lives with two daughters.

1956
CLASS AGENTS: Chuck Covington and Emily Russell

1958
CLASS AGENT: Bea Clarke Griffith

1959
REUNION CHAIR: Ellen Green Reilly

WILLIAM COLEMAN
is a professor at the University of Hartford and author of the book, *Cholera*. He was elected Alternate Councilor for Group W. Microbiology Education in the American Society for Microbiology.

CLARKE JOHNSON
is Division Director for the Social Security Administration, where he has served since 1961. He and his wife, MaryAnne, have three daughters: one a law student at NYU; one at the University of Maryland College Park and one at Ithaca College, NY. "MaryAnne and I will celebrate our 29th anniversary on June 13 and we are looking forward to our children's graduations over the next couple of years. All of their interests are in helping others—law/politics, special education and social services—and that pleases us very much. We're in good health, and hope you all are, too."

WILLIAM MILLER
spends his retirement traveling in his motor home and playing golf.

WILLIS WELOIN
still does computer security consulting work, approximately one week a month. He and his wife, Martha, also travel a fair amount.

1960

CAROLE VUONO
is happily retired and enjoying life with her five grandchildren.

1961

H. BURDETT MESSENGER
thinks grandkids are great! His son Charlie has two boys—Charles, 6, and Bobby, 9.

RALPH SNYDERMAN,
chancellor for health affairs at Duke University since 1989 and president and CEO of Duke University Health System since 1998, received a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Triangle Business Journal in North Carolina. Snyderman is retiring from his position as chancellor this June. After a one-year absence he will return to Duke to work on health care delivery projects and to pursue teaching and research.

1962

CLASS AGENT: Bob Leitch

1963

CLASS AGENT: Kitty Yoder Eaton

John Miller '64 made a radical change from OC living and international consulting. He is now living in the South African bush where he helps his friend, Wendy Adams, operate Equus Horse Safaris.

1964

REUNION CHAIR: Phil Tilghman

CAROLE MCINTIRE PROSSER
and her husband, Dave, have three children, all Virginia Tech graduates (all engineers), and three grandchildren. They enjoy visiting their family, but especially like it when everyone is home under their roof for holidays! "What chaos, but what fun." They spend their free time with Kairos, a non-denominational Christian ministry, reaching out to incarcerated men and women in maximum security prisons. After 20+ years of boating on the Chesapeake Bay, they have sold their 37' Silverton, and they will vacation this year in Manila, Philippines, at a church convocation.

GERALD TYSON
is alive and well with two children, Alena and Michael '91, and Bennett, 10, and Julia, 7. He also has two grandchildren—Jake, 4, and Sera, 2. "Busy as senior writer and editor at The National Environmental Trust."

LYNN PHILLIPS WIGTON
has retired from retail sales. She is still fund raising for her favorite charities in Wilmington, DE. She and her husband, John, recently bought a condo in Naples, FL, and will be spending the winter there.

1967

CLASS AGENT: Robin Rodar

DAVE FEGAN
worked in the Office of the Chief Council of the Internal Revenue Service until his retirement. He is now selling and leasing commercial property in Prince Frederick, MD, for Calvert Commercial Real Estate. He also heads up his family real estate development company, and loves being his own boss in a small town. He has four children—Alison, Paige, David and Scott. Dave sees Steve Clagett '69 at the gym every day.

BRYAN GRIFFIN
retired in 1997 afrer 30 years as a Teamster Union Business Agent and Officer. In the "perfect dumb job for a retiree," he does some driving for an automotive dealer delivering parts. He still does some hunting and enjoys being a model railroader. He and his second wife celebrated their 20th anniversary in March. He runs into Carl Ortman '67, Rob Cockey '67 and Jim Chalfant '67 every couple of years at their high school reunion.

ED LEHMANN
has retired from the Department of Commerce and is now fighting sprawl in the historic village of Waterford, VA. He recently got together with King Seegan '68 and Al Payne '68 for gourmet dining.

CARL ORTMAN
has retired from his years as teacher, coach, dean of students and headmaster to Ocean City, MD. He received his real estate license just in time for the slow season. He still sees Jim Chalfant '67 and Bryan Griffin '67 at high school reunions. He returns to WC most years for

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To Glen Beebe '81 and his wife, Valerie Hartzell, a daughter, Nora Rose, on February 16, 2004. She joins sister Catherine, 2.

To Donna Horneman Schneider '87 and her husband, Christopher, a son, Andrew Vladimir, on December 29, 2003. He joins sister, Emily Rose, 3.

To Bill Bertles '89 and his wife, Amy, a daughter, Lily Margaret, in August, 2003.

To John Owen '89 and his wife, Barb, a son, David John, on August 21, 2003.

To Carol Reece Albright '90 and her husband, Stuart, a son, Tyler Reece, on October 31, 2003. He joins brother Griffin.

To Matt Giller '91 and his wife, Catherine, twins, Matthew and Alexandra, on December 28, 2003. They join brother Robby, 5, and sister Isabelle, 3.

To Deborah Limbrick Rosmarin '91 and her husband, Adam, a daughter, Lauren Michelle, on January 15, 2004.

Correction

In the last issue of the magazine, we printed the names wrong in the birth announcement for Dorothy-Ann "Hyphen" Huffman-Parent's twins. Here are Lily Natanya and Ellajolie Evelyn Sky Huffman-Parent in a more recent photo. They celebrated their second birthday on May 3. "Hyphen" is a member of the Class of 2001, and her husband, Brad Huffman-Parent, worked in Public Safety 1999-2001.

And Baby Makes Three

Congratulations to Alumni Director Eleanor Shriver Magee and her husband, Jack, on the arrival of Timothy Shriver Magee. Timothy was born on May 12, 2004, weighing 7 lbs. 14 oz. Eleanor, Jack and Timothy are all doing great!

To Leigh Ann Gay Schaefer '91 and her husband, Ed, a son, Edward Charles, on December 22, 2003.

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To Kristy Schiminger Council '91 and her husband, Ron, a son, Luke Fitzgerald, on September 21, 2003. He join big brother Finn Roddy.

2

To Paul "PJ" '94 and Miriam Jecelin Mullin '93, a son, Max, on July 9, 2003.

To Ashley Hershey Schlobach '94 and her husband, Stephen, a son, Christian Landis, on March 7, 2003.

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To Caitlin Hawthorne '96 and her husband, David, a boy, Flynn Sawyer Bowman, on February 18, 2004.

To Kassie Jones Blakelock '99 and her husband, Matt, a son, Charlie Gus, on September 21, 2004. Gus joins big sister, Kallie and brother, Jack.

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1. Brad Johnson '83 and his wife, Claire, welcomed Caroline Bailey on February 12, 2004. 2. Harry Davis Feigelson was born to Jane Davis Feigleson '84 and her husband, Tom, on March 6, 2004. 3. Jack Gilden '87 and his wife, Kearston Schmidt, welcomed daughter Iliana on January 16, 2004. She joins brother Max, 2. 4. Amanda Lynn was born to Steve Ardinger '91 and his wife, Patty, on September 11, 2003. She joins big sisters Erica and Noelle. 5. Emma Grace was born to Donna White Wolk '91, and her husband, John, on November 24, 2003. 6. Madison Ryan Frank was born to Brooke Frank '92 and his wife, Lisa, on February 20, 2004. Madison joins big brother Cole. 7. Samuel Meinsler, son of Tim and Sara Boggess Meinsler '93, was born June 25, 2003. 8. Chris Kleberg '93 and his wife, Kim, welcomed their son, King Thomson Kleberg, on February 18, 2004. 9. Sydney Ann-Drea Taylor was born to Curtia Arnold-Taylor '95 and Andre Taylor '96, on September 29, 2003. 10. To Robin Woollens Brubaker '96 and her husband, Chad, a son, Gannon Thomas, on August 20, 2003. 11. Kira Jewel Pierce was born to Katie Meadors '96 and her husband, Aaron Pierce '97, on May 4, 2003. 12. Stephanie Self Hafez '97 and her husband, Michael, welcomed Connor Michael on January 8, 2004. 13. Joseph James was born to Melanie Case Klosiewicz '98 and her husband, Tommy, on October 24, 2003. He joins brother, Sal, 10. 14. Ian Charles Pohlig was born to Mary Hoffman Pohlig '98 and her husband, Chris, on May 22, 2003.15. 15. Cullen Shepherd was born on January 25, 2004 to Tom Shepherd '93 and his wife, Mandy. 16. Michelle Crosier-Kelleher '94 and her husband, Dennis, welcomed a son, Erik William, on October 6, 2003. 17. To John Kelly '92 and his wife, Mavis, a son, Liam Joseph, on February 1, 2004. Liam joins big brother Shane. 18. Mackey, 4, and Morgan, 10 months, are the children of Chris '94 and Julie Lippke Jones '94. 19. Young William Brimhall, born October 28, 2002, is the son of William '94 and Erin Brimhall.

golf, fraternity reunions and Hall of Fame. "I think I have gained a pound a year since graduation. The good news is I am now 10 feet tall so it looks great on me. I run into Charlie Thomas '67 every year or so and he hasn't changed one bit (except for less hair)."

ROBIN AND SAM RODAR
have been living just north of Santa Fe, NM, since 1969. They bought a piece of land and built a "beautiful home where they raised two children, many, many goats, chickens, ducks, turkeys, dogs, cats and tropical fish. Today we have fish! We owned and operated a service station on the Pojoaque Indian Reservation for 20 years." Sam is a self-taught computer consultant; Robin is a librarian and network administrator for a small day school on the Santa Clara Reservation. "We are enjoying our work, our lives and our first grandchild."

KAREN SCHREIBER SCHLITT
and her husband, Michael, have been married for 32 years. They have four children—Mary, 40, Michele, 38, Paige, 34, Stephanie, 31—and six grandchildren. They recently moved from Minnesota to Florida and built a home. She has been selling cosmetics for 25 years and Michael, who is retired, works part-time with QVC. Karen still contributes to a book scholarship set up in John Roberts' memory after he died in Vietnam. They recently saw Peggy Meyer Baker '67, who looks wonderful. Her husband, Jim, is also retired and they have two grandchildren.

LAWRENCE SMITH
has returned from Army National Guard duty in Kosovo. "It was a great international experience."

1968
CLASS AGENT: Peter Rosen

SUZANNE PELKEY KALAN
is a teacher trainer in the Broward County Public Schools in Florida. She joined the Naples alumni group for a Toast to George with fellow classmate Patricia Hervey Thomson '68.

PATRICIA HERVEY THOMSON
reports that she has moved back to Florida "and can't be happier! Bumped into the Nuzzis and found out we're going to be neighbors—will be starting the Rotonda Alum Group!"

1969
REUNION CHAIR: Linda Sheedy

1971
ROBERT ORR
is a retired police officer. He has two daughters in college and one on the way—WC class of 2022!

1972
CLASS AGENT: Sandy Garratt

JANET STIDMAN EVELETH
was named top state bar association magazine editor in the country for large bars and was awarded a Luminary Award in 2003.

1973
CLASS AGENT: Beth Kahn Leaman

JAMES GUTHRIE
has served on the Kennett Township Planning Commission for 20 years, 10 as the commission's president. He travels frequently to Chestertown to visit old friends and classmates.

JAMES SMITH
and his wife, Karen Boyaris, adopted Joseph, or José, 2, from Guatemala.

NANCY WALSH
recently reunited with Dave Knepler '74 and his family in Lake Placid, NY.

1974
REUNION CHAIR: Terry Commodore

SANDRA WOHLSCHLEGEL DARLING
is in her 30th year of teaching and now teaches kindergarten. She resides in Centreville, MD, with her daughter, Michelle, who is a senior at St. Mary's College.

ROBERT FARWELL
completed a Master of Library and Information Studies degree in May 2003 at the University of Rhode Island. He has since been appointed Head of Reference at Otis Library in Norwich, CT.

LINDA PELKE FENWICK
writes, "My husband and I are enjoying life in the Florida Keys. I spend my time working with stained glass, volunteering and learning tropical gardening. I recently caught the 'orchid bug' and am on my way to a growing orchid collection."

CHRISTINE MURRAY GIANQUINTO
is sorry she missed reunion—number two child graduated from Temple University. Number three graduated from high school and the oldest has finished her first year in law school. She and her husband, Paul '75, are looking forward to the "empty nest" with only their faithful dog, Kip, in the house.

REED HESSLER
completed 25 years as producer and announcer at WBJC-FM, a non-commercial, all classical radio station. He served as an adjunct professor of film at Johns Hopkins University 1994-1999 and at UMBC in 1990. He also served as an adjunct music teacher at Western High School, 1997-1998. He has been married 19 years to his wife, Dyane Fancey.

CHRISTOPHER LUHN
is Assistant Attorney General in the State of New York. He writes, "Both kids, Meghan Brumby '99, and Seth Brumby, have moved on, leaving us to our own devices. In 2000 we took sailing courses at the Maryland Sailing School in Rock Hall, and bought our

Several KA's and their families attended a reunion in St. Michaels last summer. Standing from left: Host Jack Shannahan '65, Faye Shannahan, Eric Purden '66, Cheryl Purden, Carol Tilghman '64, Phil Tilghman '64, Jim Francis '66, Truth Ann Francis '68, Larry Manogue '64, Kathy Manogue, Nancy Jenkins, Jerry Jenkins '65, Pat Evans, Barry Evans '63, Diana Leitch '65, Bob Leitch '62, Ken Scheck '63, Maggie Scheck '84, Dick Natwick '66, Peggy Natwick, Vance Strasburg '66, Nancy Strasburg'66 (hidden), Barbara Smith '64, Bob Natwick '64, Mary Natwick, Joan Everett and Frank Everett '64. In front from left - Glenn Conner '64, Claudia Conner, Alta Weiss '64, Fred Weiss '65, and Dave Smith '62.

own 31' sloop in 2002. We keep 'Loon Ranger' on Lake Champlain, and spend every spare minute sailing."

BARBARA KERNEY McKAY
writes, "We've moved several times in the past few years and hope to make our beach house in Lewes, DE, our retirement home…soon!"

RICK POLLITT
and his wife, Tracy, have been married for 18 years. Their two children are Ricky, 9, and Rachel, 7. He is a member of the Wicomico County Board of Education and had "Pollitt Drive" in Fruitland, MD, named for him in recognition of his economic development successes. He is a three-time past president of the Allen Lions Club. He also reports that Dough Trimper '74 "rocks on the O.C. Boardwalk." His sons, Chris and Brooks, are working for him. His "daughter Chelsea also rocks."

1975

PAUL BOERTLEIN
recently made a major career change to the non-profit arena. He is Executive Director of Byte Back, Inc., which partners with other organizations to provide computer technical training to under-served, under-employed and unemployed adults and at-risk youths.

THOMAS CLEMENT
and his wife, Marjorie, have two great kids, Timmy, 13, and Julie, 11. Timmy is a "gym rat" who plays on several basketball teams; Julie plays hoops too but prefers music. She plays the bassoon in a few different bands. Marjorie is a computer whiz who works as a computer tech in the Radnor, PA, School District, the same one their children attend. Much of their time is spent coaching the kids' teams and at a family vacation house in Bay Head, NJ.

LUCINDA STUDE
was married last September to a man she met on the phone 17 years ago when they both worked for Hewlett-Packard. They live in the Enchanted Forest in Cochranville, PA.

Natalie Brown McKnight '84 and Jamie McKnight have two daughters—Emily, 11, and Annie, 7. Jamie is an Associate Professor in the Department of Biophysics and Biophysiology at Boston University School of Medicine. Natalie is Chairman of the Humanities Division of the College of General Studies at Boston University. They "enjoy traveling, hiking, canoeing and reading together—that is when we aren't shuffling between cello, dance, voice and ski lessons!"

She still works for the spin-off company, Agilent Technologies, as an inside sales rep, selling analytical equipment to biotech, pharmaceutical and university accounts in the Boston area. The next adventure will be to find a place to work and retire overseas in a warm place with good surf. Suggestions are welcome.

1976

LINDA BRETTSCHNEIDER DRAWSKY
sends greetings from Arizona! She and her husband, Mike, are celebrating their 25th wedding anniversary by traveling to Alaska for the second time. Their adventure will include another trip above the Arctic Circle and a return to Denali, as well as visits to other National Parks in the state. "A special hello to my friends from the class of 1976."

REBECCA WILLIAMS
has recently moved back to C'town with her 13-year-old daughter Jessica. She now "spends lots of time at the barn with horses."

1977

CLASS AGENT: Sandy Dennison-James

HILARY HYMAN
completed her Ph.D. in TESOL, Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages.

1978

CLASS AGENT: Mike Brown

GREGG BRANDON
completed his second semester at George Washington University, working towards his master's in political management.

ANN WILFORD CAUSEY
and her husband, Ross, own a landscaping business in Kennett Square, PA. Ann and Ross are restoring a 1972 Pontiac convertible and plan on cruising down to Chestertown one day soon. They have two children—Ross, 21, and Paige, 18. Paige attends Sanford where Ann loves recommending WC to the students. She stays in contact with several WC buddies, Carol Noer Zacharius '78, Brad Cook '79, Susan Farace Taylor '79, Collis Townsend '78, Jay Cooper '79, Annie MacGlashan '78 and Gail Emow '78. She would love to locate Alison Bowden, Bill Baldwin and Harry Lewis.

DEBBIE STRAUS TORMEY
continues her career in nuclear cardiology, managing two centers. She is also raising three children. She tries to visit their vacation home on Chincoteague Island, VA, as much as possible.

COLLIS TOWNSEND
is the National Agent for the Community Foundations Services Corporation. His wife, Catherine, and their children, Shelby and Jack, live in Kennett Square, PA. Collis is active in the local community and enjoys working on their old house.

EDWARD J. WATSON, JR., M.D.
saw Karen Jarrell's message in the latest newsletter and would like to get in touch. "Let me know when you are next in Hawaii. ALOHA!"

1979

REUNION CHAIR: Doug Byrne and Richard Gray

HOLLY CRAIGHEAD
is the mother of two teenage daughters, Meghan and Annie, and works as a Health Educator/Development Leader/Community Service Advocate. She owns Eastern Shore Research and Development, which specializes in research, strategic planning, grant writing, fund-raising and volunteer management.

FOSTER DEIBERT
writes that after a hard year at work, he will be heading up and building business for the newly created Sustainability Management Department which will manage environmental and social issues and their associated risks for WestLB. He is very excited about the new challenges.

MAURA KELLY ROGERS
lives in Havertown, PA, with her three children ages 14-19, and works as a judicial law clerk for a trial court judge in Delaware County, PA. She still keeps in touch with the Reid Hall "Red Hots." Although they are far away in miles, they are still close friends.

CATHY BAUERMANN SCHWARTZ
received her master's in education from Loyola College and is a high school counselor with the Baltimore County Public Schools, "making the big bucks." Son Steve is a sophomore in college in Florida—"losin' the

Anne Lindes Shepard '84 reports that "Like most of us, I am busy with my kids. Maude is a sophomore at John Carroll in Bel Air; fun to be back at my alma mater as a parent. Ollie, 13, is in 8th grade and Henry is 9. I also work for Century 21 as a real estate agent, I'm on year 10 of what I thought would be a temporary job."

big bucks." Daughter Megan is a junior in high school in Baltimore "drainin' what's left!"

BETTY ARRINGTON SOBOLEWSKI
is employed by Robert Parker's *The Wine Advocate* Magazine.

1980

MARY CURRIER DEMOSS
is still living in West Virginia with her husband, Jeff. They are celebrating their 25th wedding anniversary this summer.

1981

SUSAN BENNETT M'87
has been coaching Parks and Rec teams in soccer and softball for the past 12 years. This past fall she had the opportunity to coach the high school volleyball team. "It was great fun—but all of that running, jumping and hitting the floor was easier 20-something years ago!"

1982

CLASS AGENT: Scott Hansen

NANETTE HOLMES
reports that her daughter, Bettina, will be attending Northeastern University in Boston in the fall.

1984

REUNION CHAIRS: Kelly Hardesty Phipps and Fannie Hobba Shenk

PEGGY CASEY CASH
is a federal law enforcement officer with the Department of Justice.

MICHELE McKAY
is still working at Perryville Middle School (where she went) with 6th, 7th, and 8th graders. She sponsors the drama club and enjoying every minute. "Teaching middle schoolers provides great challenges – but even greater rewards."

PETER MORGAN
is president of Peerless Boilers. He writes, "I've been living in Ridgewood, NJ, raising two terrific kids with my brilliant wife of 15 years, Maureen. My daughter, Spencer, 10, plays club soccer, lacrosse and the violin, all very well. My son, Corey, 7, loves ice hockey, baseball and club soccer. We love to travel and we look forward to our European vacation each summer, and the mandatory stop in Dublin, Ireland, to relax with my wife's relatives." He talks frequently with Matt Burke '84 and Tom Keefe '84.

FANNIE HOBBA SHENK
writes, "I have been married to Steve for 15 years. We are raising two daughters— Chastain, 10, and Madison, 7. We live in a really old farm house just outside of Centreville, MD."

BETSY BEARD STILLINGS
reports, "My 11-year-old son spent three weeks living in Reid Hall last summer! He was attending a Johns Hopkins Center for Talented Youth camp there. It was great to see all the new buildings, and to hear about the new science facility being built. And it was good for my Seattle boy to spend some time on the Eastern Shore!"

LINDSEY EVANS THOMAS
is still married to Peter and living in Annapolis with their boys, Evan, 4, and Ian, 2.

1985

MOLLY HUSSMAN ELLIS
is raising a terrible two named Malcolm, and delightful Porter, 5. She opened an embroidery and monogramming shop on Germantown Avenue in Chestnut Hill, PA, in May. Katie Warwick Schreiner '99 will be working with her!

1986

LAURA PAUL REED
is a Senior Manager in Deloitte & Touche's Financial Services Regulatory Consulting practice.

1987

CLASS AGENT: Lauren Ebaugh Halterman

CHRIS BROWN
and his wife, Laura Jenkins Brown '85, say "hi" to all alums from their class.

BRIDGET McELROY COWIE
ran the New York Marathon in November in just under four hours. She had a great time visiting with Erika Del Priore '89 after the race. Bridget is still living in Somerset, MD, with her husband, Michael, and four kids.

RAY LINTON
reports, "The Big Kahuna is alive and well, living in the Bayou country of Southeastern Louisiana with my wife, Nita, and

Alice Stein '01 and Greg Lucas of Asheville, NC, Dave Cola '95 of Annapolis, and Heather and Tim Whittier '95 of Portland, ME, met for a seven-day reunion on the Olympic Peninsula of Washington State. They toured the farthest reaches of the Pacific Northwest in a vintage 1984 Winnebago. Highlights of the trip included an 18-mile hike through the Sol Duc forest (film location for the Moon of Endor in *Star Wars: Return of the Jedi*), munching on blueberries with the bears, sunsets over glacier-covered Mount Olympus and spotting sea lions on the Dungeness Peninsula (at left). They all returned safely to their homes on the East Coast, including the RV!

2-year-old son Bohdi." Ray is employed by Acoustical Specialties in Baton Rouge, LA, as a Project Manager and Lead Estimator for their Commercial Insulation and Fireproofing Division. Ray is an active soccer coach and has been the President of the Gonzales Soccer club for the last nine years. He sends a warm hello to all friends from Middle Hall, and especially to Chris Fascetta '88, Carl Pohlhaus '87 and Jeannie King Edwards '90. He encourages any and all old friends to look him up if they are in New Orleans, as he just might know some good spots to take them!

DONNA SCHNEIDER
is living in the mountains of northwest New Jersey and is interested in catching up with her Alpha Chi sister.... "where are you???"

1988

STEVE LINHARD
was appointed Treasurer at St. John's College in Annapolis.

JOANNA WILSON
is proud to announce the birth of a grandson, Jared Buckson, on February 19, 2004.

1989

REUNION CHAIR: Matt Wilson

EUGENIA AUCHINCLOSS '89, MA '95
writes that she supervised a second WC teaching intern in her 7th grade reading classroom this fall at Chestertown Middle School. She and her husband, John Larrimore, put an addition on their Civil War-era farmhouse in Rock Hall. Rowing continues to be her passion and she often competes in fours and eights.

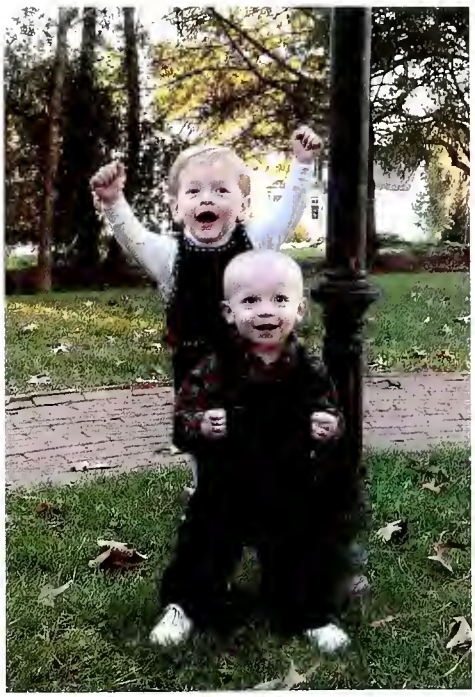
KELLY FYANS BOURGEOIS
is Group Manager for Discovery Toys, Inc. She writes, "My husband, Matt, and I are in the process of adopting our second child from China. We look forward to returning to China with our four-year-old daughter, Caroline."

SANDY PEREZ ENGLAND
is a homemaker home-schooling her 7-year-old son and 4-year-old daughter. Her family enjoys living in Columbia.

DAWN CHALK GRAF
is a realtor and has just joined the office of Long and Foster in Fells Point.

SARA JOHNSON HOFFMAN
has been living on Deep Creek Lake in Western Maryland for the past four years with her husband, John, and children—Garrett, 9, and Grace, 5.

KATHLEEN MC-GUIGAN PETER
sends a "hello" to Ruth '88 and Chip '89 Schaller, Ken Winkler '89, Jeff Cessna '89 and Bill Faust '88.



Amelia, 2, and Emerson, 1, are the children of Jane Kennedy Mack '93. They love Chapel Hill, NC, and welcome any visitors.

ANN BALDUC SMITH
is a Senior Manager for Allstate Insurance and writes, "My daughter Courtney is almost six years old and is a pure joy! I remarried in September of 2002. My husband, Russell, and I both work for Allstate (15 years). He is also a pilot so we love to travel. Would love to hear from some old friends!"

CHERYL DABES WALTER
has been working as a Substance Abuse Prevention Specialist in Bozeman, MT, for six years. She has two children ages 4 and 2 and plans to move soon to Santa Cruz after her husband completes his doctorate in chemistry.

MELANIE WADE WING
works for Bank One Card Services as a First Vice President. She has been there five years and is responsible for competitive intelligence. She also serves as the President of the Society of Competitive Intelligence Professionals (scip.org). She has two great boys, 10 and 7, and lives in Middletown, DE, with her husband of 13 years, Richard.

MARRIAGES

William Wilmer III '89 to Mary Allen Hughes Holland on November 29, 2003 in Annapolis, MD.

Linda Fortucci Bieberbach '00 to Chris Bieberbach '99 on June 14, 2003.

Erika Swartzkopf '89 was married to Joseph Lohmeier at Kualoa Ranch, Hawaii, on December 27, 2003. Donna Dietz '89 represented alumni.

Bradford Johnson '83 and Claire Bailey were married August 22, 2003 in Chestertown. Alumni in attendance included Rick '84 and Jenna Maher Silliman '85, Carol '03 and John Wagner '74, Frank Rhodes '83, Tim Keete '78, Tyler '81 and Carla Fletcher Johnson '80, and Jim Graham '81.

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MARRIAGES

Erin Gillin '99 and Chip Merrick '98 were married last November but forgot to submit the coveted WC Alum Picture to the magazine. Here it is! WC guests included: (front left: John Fuller '99, Bert Magladary '99, Heather Cranmer Magladary '99, Richard Gillin, Erin Gillin Merrick '99, Chip Merrick '98, Barbara Gillin, Matt Swift '99, Shannon Radebaugh '97, Liz Tessier '98, Linda Fortucci Bieberbach '98, Christyl Arrabal '98, Amanda Norbury '99, Courtney Gillin '97, Alyssa Wiedenmayer '99, Scott Woolever '77, Libby Woolever, JT Cunic '99, Meeghan Bey '97, Dan Biscoe '98, Katie Dripps Daily '98, Chris Daily '98, Chris Bieberbach '99, JD Radebaugh '99, Brad Burgess '97, Mandy Pare Biscoe '99 and Maggy Kilroy '98.

Megan Kelly '02 and Samuel Houston '02 were married September 20, 2003. Megan writes, "Despite the aftermath of Hurricane Isabel, it was a beautiful day." In attendance were friends from Washington College, Allison LaMarca '04, Nick Faherty '04, Jason Yerkie, '00, Meadow Gladding Yerkie '00, Erin Fowler '01, Frank Batelka '99, Christy Peters Batelka '00, Aaron Goode '02, Cailin Heilig '03 and Diane Larrimore.

Jessica Rainey '99 and Patrick Burns were married July 12, 2003 in Wilmington, DE. Alumni in the wedding party were Hilary Rainey Kenny '98, Megan Miller Wilson '98 and Mary Ryan O'Hara Newkirk '99. Alumni also in attendance were Paul Kenny '97, Brian Hopkins '99, Matt Newkirk '97, Jen Higgins '99, Charlotte Stephenson '98, Jamie Stumpf '98, Meggan Smith '98, Maggie Kilroy '00, Andrew Fitzpatrick '99, Jaimee Skates '00, Kevin Quinn '98, Mike McDermott '98, Bradd Burgess '00, John Kelly '66 and Nicole Jones '99.

1990

STEPHEN GREGORY
and his wife Kathy live in Richmond, VA, with their two children—Claire, 5, and Max, 18 months. Stephen is a Financial Systems Analyst with LandAmerica, one of the nation's largest title insurance and real estate transaction services companies.

ELIZABETH JARRETT
is living in Old Town Alexandria and is the Regional Human Resource Manager for Starbucks Coffee Company.

BILL KERBIN
works for CACI, Inc. as a government contractor and reviews documents for Homeland Security.

HOWARD PONZER
taught a philosophy class this past spring at Washington College. He has been teaching for a number of years, mostly at Long Island University, but also in Germany, at the universities of Bremen and Dresden.

BILL SHAW
is living in Augusta, GA, and has been married for two years. He is a first year high school counselor who lives for ultimate cycling. bizatch16@hotmail.com

DAVE STEWART
returned from Iraq in April 2004. "It was sandy....and hot."

1991

MATT GILLER
is working in NYC with Morgan Stanley. He would welcome hearing from Sho'men at mjgiller_5@hotmail.com.

LAURA HOPPER
invites any alumni passing through Chippewa Falls, WI, to "stop on by the Jacob Leinenkugel Brewing Co. to say hi and get a free beer!"

SAMUEL DEREK NICOLARY
is a computer programmer in Philadelphia, PA.

SCOTT PETERSON
and his wife, April Butterworth Peterson '90, live in Asheville, NC, with their children—Kelsey, 5, Theodore, 3, and Lily,

who was recently adopted from China. April is a stay-at-home mother and Scott is a financial consultant.

JAMES PLASKITT
has been the curator for a private library in Upperville, VA, for the past three years.

DONNA WHITE WOLK
writes, "Motherhood is amazing!" She and her husband, John, have expanded his pharmacy business to include home health and medical supplies. She will be taking on "the challenge of getting it up and running. I am really psyched to be taking this on. Life is great."

1992

CLASS AGENT: Troy Petenbrink

JOHN DOUGLAS BEACHLEY
says "hi" to all his Kappa Alpha brothers.

JOAN KOO HOFFMAN
writes, "My husband, Eric, and I have two beautiful children—Nami 3, and Henry, 1. We are living in Seoul, Korea, and after five years we are still enjoying life here. If any of you are in the neighborhood, please contact us at joankoo@hotmail.com."

1993

CLASS AGENT: Lizzie O'Hara Lazo

TANYA CUNIC
is a forensic psychologist for the Bureau of Prisons in Buther, NC.

CLAUDIA HEIMBACH
graduated in May with a PS-MS in occupational therapy from Dominican College.

KEVIN KNOX
writes: "Susan and I were married on November 26 (the day before Thanksgiving). I am working for Merck & Company as a cardiovascular specialist in their US Human Health Division and Susan works for Guidant Corporation as a cardiac rhythm management technician (pacemakers and defibrulators). Our territories are here on the Shore. We are living in Queen Anne with our

MARRIAGES

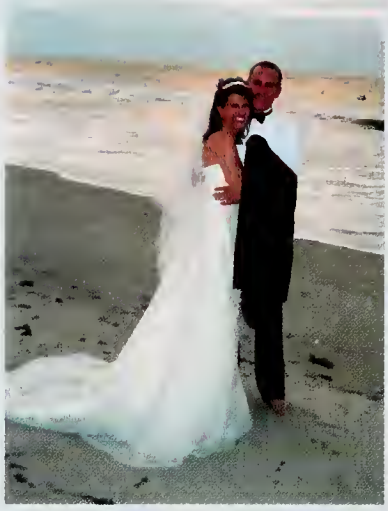
Natalie Guiberson '94 and Jeffrey Gentry were married November 22, 2003. Alumni in attendance included Viki Komjathy Beckage '94, Traci Costello Stanley '93, Karen Scott Hansen '94, Megan Ward '95, Nicole Zemanski Marano '95, P.J. Mullin '94, Miriam Jecelin Mullin '93, Elizabeth Schneck '94, Kristin Phalen '93, Paula De Stephano '95, Laura Heidel '95, Kathy Brewster Jenkens '92, Patsy Will, Miriam Farkas Zink '95, Matthew Sipala '95, Chris Berghaus '94, Bruce Alexander '94, Jeff Grafton '94, Kevin Marshall '94, Michelle Crosier-Kelleher '94, Dennis Kelleher '93, Kristina Tatusko Henry '88, Ken Pipkin '95, Chris Mears '04, Christy Harris Weer '93, and Wendy Debnam Fitzgerald '94.

Cristina Polvinale '98 and Dakshesh Kothari were married May 17, 2003 in Hunt Valley, MD. Alumni in attendance included Leslie Shimono '98 (bridesmaid), Chris Ely '70, Richard Holloway '71, Janet Ely '99, Dick '68 and Kathy Deutsch Carrington '69 and, of course, her parents, Tom '70 and Lorraine Kenton Polvinale '69.

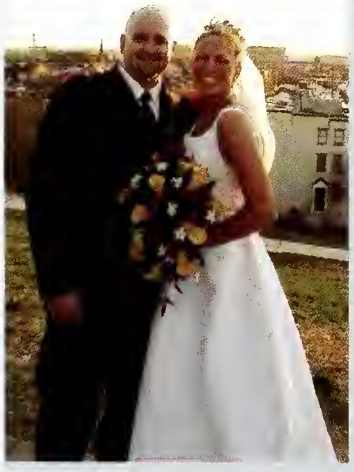
Owen Mulhern IV '00 and Carmen Huhta '99 were married August 23, 2003 in Phoenixville, PA. Alumni in attendance included Gillian Mattimore '99, Katie Warwick Schreiner '99, Maggy Kilroy '00, Kevin Dorst '00, Jeremy Stoehr '00, Jennifer Gorrlieb '99, Dawn O'Farrell '99, Brigid Kolish '98, Andrea Wall Whiteford '98, Keith Whiteford '98, Sarah Loomis '99, Daniella Bonazzoli '98, Chris Bieberbach '99, Linda Fortucci Bieberbach '00, Susan Baker Kalergis '00, Jim Kalergis '99, Shawn Walter '99, Andy Lopatin '98, Tyler Meurlin '00, Brian Rentch '99, Will Gibbs '00, Mike Romanowicz, Dan Meehan '01, Mike Campbell '01, Erin Spatatore '02, Mike Kent '99, Christyl Johnson-Arrabal '00, Pete Morris '01 and Chris Johnson '01.

MARRIAGES

Laura Paul Reed '86 to Christopher Reed on October 11, 2003 in Indialantic, FL. Following the wedding, the couple spent their honeymoon in Spain. Laura and Chris will make their home in the Lincoln Park neighborhood of Chicago.



Matt Howe '01 and Erin Donohue were married May 23, 2003. Alumni in attendance included Bill Ahrens '01, Mary Meagher '02, Bob Cavanaugh '00, Tara Nash '00, Jerry Brown '02, Lauren Herndon '01, Casey Jones '03, Bryn Barrett '03, Erik Lund '03, Matthew Gillespie '02 and Gus Pappas '99.



Darlene Schaub '98 and John Rehmert were married April 12, 2003. Her bridesmaids included Daniella Bonazzoli '98, Carly Ellis '97, Sarah Hornbeck '97, Erin Miller '97 and Erin Wade Wilson '98. Other alumni who attended include Linda Middlestadt '66 (mother of the groom), Annie Middlestadt '03, Kyle Bowers '97, Jess Hammond (Dindino)' 97, Kristen Snell '98 and Mike Wilson '98.

yellow Lab, Chester, and hope to have other additions to mention in the coming years!"

SARA BOGGESS MEINSLER
is enjoying being at home with her son, Samuel, 1. She also enjoys teaching "Social Work and Social Policy" at Anne Arundel Community College. "It was great seeing everyone at Reunion last May!"

MARIE MOHLER
completed a master's degree in psychology and works as a family therapist. Her partner, Marie Frazer, M '93, is a criminal psychologist for the Department of Justice. They have two sons, ages 2 and 4, and live in Chapel Hill, NC. Marie has published two books and has written several children's books while staying home with the boys.

MARK RENZI
is busy as a director of FTI Consulting, which assists companies in financial distress in Philadelphia, PA. He and his wife, Ingrid, are proud parents of Nia, 3 and Olivia, 1. They frequently see Keith and Margie Erickson '94 and their two sons.

CHRISTY HARRIS WEER
is living in north Wilmington, DE, with her husband, George, Loryn Ava, 4, and Landon Mitchel, 11 months. She completed her third year of Ph.D. work at Drexel University's Lebow College of Business and hopes to defend her dissertation within the next year. "I'd love to hear from my long-lost ZTA sisters! Please e-mail me: cweer1@msn.com."

1994

REUNION CHAIR: Bruce Alexander

WILLIAM BRIMHALL
recently took his practice in investment advising and financial consulting out of the corporate world and started an independent practice.

RORY CONWAY
lives in Wilmington, DE, with his wife, Jennifer. He works in sales and marketing development for an Anheuser-Busch distributor.

JEFFREY GRAFTON
is a financial analyst for MBNA and lives in Chestertown with his wife, Sally Haynsworth Grafton '93, Andrew, 3, and Molly, 1. They are restoring a Victorian house on Washington Ave.

ANDREW PARKS
is still in Florida. He recently ran two 5K's and "didn't finish last in either one!" His daughter Gilles is 6 and son Matty is 3. He says, "we're 20 miles from Orlando, so if anyone comes down to Disney, look me up!"

JEFF SAWYER
is divorced and living in northern Virginia. He writes "I have been a lot of places since graduation…but am back in the same office where it all started! I'm looking forward to seeing some folks I haven't seen in a long time!"

BRANDON WHITE
recently joined Updata Partners, a venture capital/private equity firm in Reston, VA. "Always looking for alums with businesses in the technology sector."

1996

JOSEPH D'URSO
recently created the magazine *Taste of the Bay* and is publishing it in Anne Arundel County.

Melissa Sullivan '94 decided to scratch her plans to return to work as a museum curator when she had her daughter, Brooke, in the fall of 2003. Keeping busy is easy with Brooke, Luke, 2, and two stepchildren—Tobin, 16, and Robert, 15. She occasionally works as a consultant for struggling non-profits. She also enjoys working on her photography and their new home.

1997

LEANNE COLE
is working in development at American University's Washington College of Law, in Washington, DC. "Gina Coco '98 and I are living in Chevy Chase and enjoying the DC area. We'd love to hear from old WAC friends in the DC area." lcole@wcl.american.edu

BRANDON HOPKINS
earned an M.A. in Humanities from the University of Chicago last June. He now writes for a small e-learning firm in Chicago and teaches part-time at East-West University. He has also just completed his first feature-length screenplay. He can be contacted at morienus22@aol.com.

AMY E. PETERSON
After two years in a mixed animal practice in Connecticut, she moved to Baltimore where she is finishing a one-year residency in Comparative Medicine at Johns Hopkins University. "This summer I will be in Cameroon, collecting small mammals and sampling primates in and around deforestation sites looking at the wildlife reservoir of emerging infectious diseases. In the fall I return to Baltimore to start a Ph.D in Infectious Disease Epidemiology. Feel free to email me! [apeter17@jhmi.edu] Also in December I traveled to Sri Lanka for the wedding of Sanji Wijenaike."

GENE VASSEL
competed in the Black Water Eagleman Half Iron Man Triathalon in June. He received his master's from Fordham University and left MTV to pursue teaching in Brooklyn.

Anna E. Herrmann Marlowe '94 is president and owner of Marlowe Arts Ltd. She and husband, James, married last year and bought 1400 sq. feet of commercial real estate in Fairfax City, VA, where they opened a new shop this spring. She says: "The tattoo business is alive and well, it has allowed us to travel a lot and tour Europe and visit all the great museums."

1998

KELLY GEORGE
has moved to the Florida Keys.

MARY HOFFMAN POLIG
is working on two theater productions behind the scenes and is a stay-at-home mom to one-year-old Ian the rest of the time. She and her husband, Chris, will be celebrating their fourth anniversary on October 14. Please feel free to contact her at mary@hoffmanclan.com.

1999

REUNION CHAIR: Melissa Rothe

JOHN "JT" CUNIC
graduated with his MBA from Southwest Missouri State. He is currently employed by the University of Rhode Island.

KASSIE JONES BLAKELOCK
is still playing softball or volleyball and selling her junk on Ebay when she's not tending to her three young children.

AMANDA J. NORBURY
moved to Baltimore and is working at Legg Mason. She also joined the Baltimore Sports and Social Club.

ALAINA HANKINS PILLSBURY
is a Quality Engineer living in Bridgeton, NJ. She and her husband, Frank, are remodeling an old farmhouse. She has been working for General Mills at their Progresso plant for the last two years.

2000

LINDA FORTUCCI BIEBERBACH
and Chris Bieberbach '99 moved into their new home in East Fallowfield, PA. Chris is employed with Brandywine Realty Trust in Malvern, PA, and Linda works as a 9th grade Global Studies Teacher for the Coatesville Area School District. She is also working on her master's degree in education.

WILLIAM BURKE
has returned from serving in the Peace Corps in Gambia and has been admitted to the agricultural economics program at Michigan State University.

EMILY CHERRY
is teaching high school math and coaching swimming in Hawaii.

TOM GALLAGHER
married his "lovely wife, Andrea" last November. He is pursuing a master's in education to teach high school math. "I would love

A love of music brought ZTA alumnae Krissie Callahan '96 and newly engaged Lana Hart '01 together recently, although they'd never previously met. Lana runs a web site for the ZTA Gamma Beta chapter's alumnae—the two women communicated via e-mail and discovered they had mutual friends in the Southeast music scene. Recently, the up-and-coming Josh Queen Band (www.joshqueen.com), for whom Krissie does freelance PR work, traveled to Columbia, SC, where Lana lives, from their hometown of Charlotte, NC, where Krissie lives. The impromptu reunion spawned more than just a new tan for the band—it also spawned a friendship.

to hear from any of my friends, in the drama department or outside of it, at my e-mail address tgal1701@yahoo.com."

SARAH MOORE
is living in Springfield, MA, working as a treatment coordinator at a residential home for adolescent boys. "It's hard work, but it is fulfilling. Hope all is well at WAC."

SUZIE SHAUM
received her master's degree in 2002. She has been living on the Eastern Shore and teaching kindergarten at Easton Elementary School.

VICKY SMRCKA
competed in the Columbia Triathlon last May to raise money for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. Vicky has been contacted by Adidas about marketing opportunities for the event.

2001
CLASS AGENT: Jillian "Keeza" Matundan

ROLAND FORNOFF
moved to Bel Air, MD, and is working as a Sustainability Specialist at Aberdeen Proving Ground.

MATT HOWE
returned from a six-month tour of duty in Iraq in April.

Captain Ted Greeley '93, United States Marine Corps, (at right) is serving as an Infantry Officer in 2nd Battalion, 1st Marine Regiment in Fallujah, Iraq, for combat operations in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom II. He spends his few moments of spare time reading letters from his wife (Jessica Neaton '98) and following Sho'men lacrosse. He looks forward to spending quality time at "The Farm" with his family and friends. He might even be seen at the Bluebird one night with his brother Andrew (Greeley '99).

MATTHEW YOUNG
works as a staff writer for *EyeWorld* Magazine in Fairfax, VA.

2002
CLASS AGENT: Jordan Yelinek

SARAH-LOUISE CORSON
completed Nursing School at Columbia University in NYC. She keeps in touch with Aja Jones '02, Penny Tilghman '02, Beka Beckett '01 and Jill Aspenwall '00. "I'm having a great time and miss all my friends from WC."

NICOLE MANCINI
is a 5th grade teacher and yearbook advisor at Bedminster Elementary School in NJ.

RIELLE MILLER
has begun a master's program at American University in philosophy and social policy.

ROBIN NECKER
is attending school part-time to earn her MBA. She really enjoys the classes, "but it's tough to juggle school and work." Robin attended the Birthday Ball with classmates Lee Coulson '02, Kerry O'Keefe '02, Kristin Samuel '02 and Kim Chalmers '02, and had a great time catching up with friends.

HILARY WURZBACH
is working for Waterside School, a K-4 private scholarship school in Stamford, CT, for children from modest-income families.

JORDAN YELINEK
passed his qualifying examination and is now a doctoral candidate! He is also the student body president of all graduate and professional students at Yale.

WC alumnae were in full force at the March for Women's Lives in Washington, DC, on April 25. In an estimated crowd of 750,000 were (from left to right): Mindy Beers '01, Lindsay Krieg '00, Jillian "Keeza" Matundan '01, Jill Kroos '02 and Leah Golshani '01.

2003
CLASS AGENT: Courtney Busch

PRAVEEN ABHAYARATNE
is a Research Associate at the Center for Nonproliferation Studies, Chemical and Biological Weapons in the Weapons of Mass Destruction Terrorism Project. He completed his master's in international policy studies in Monterey.

JOHN CHARLES CRONIN
will begin studying at the Tulane Law School in August.

WILLIAM DUDLEY
is working for a clinical research organization at the Johns Hopkins School of Public Health. He will start medical school at the New York College of Osteopathic Medicine in August.

Jennifer Nyman White is living in Las Vegas with her husband, Sandy, and their four children—Madeline, 7, Hannah, 5, Spencer, 3, and Natalie Mae, 1. Sandy started a private practice in family medicine and Jennifer "gets the luxury of staying home."

CHRISTINA GRANBERG
is serving as a Peace Corps volunteer in southwest Swaziland, the smallest African kingdom with the highest rate of HIV. As a community development officer, she works to reduce the impact of HIV/AIDS through the development of feeding centers for the area's 400 orphans and an educational program in local schools. She has also been developing a multi-media project to illustrate the face of HIV and

AIDS. "My first six months' service has been tremendously challenging and stimulating, directing me into the field of public health communication where media and health meet to influence positive behavior change."

IAN C. MAY
is working for the Peace Corps in Costa Rica as a rural community development volunteer. A substantial part of his service includes working with youth educational programs, strengthening the organizational frameworks of community groups and associations, increasing economic opportunities for rural groups and helping to strengthen local community organizations to better plan for economic development and disaster relief.

LAURA WALTER
works for a nonprofit educational accrediting agency in Washington, DC. She continues to work on the novel she wrote for her senior thesis, and is searching for a literary agent. She is currently writing a second novel.

IN MEMORIAM

John Mason Lord '35, an advertising executive and a member of the Washington College Athletic Hall of Fame, passed away October 3, 2003 in Petersborough, NH. Lord graduated *cum laude* from WC, where he played football, basketball and lacrosse. He served as a Naval Officer aboard the USS Chester in the Pacific Theatre during World War Two and in the USNR for five years after the war's end. He was president of John M. Lord & Co., Inc. until his retirement in 1978. Prior to that he was Vice President of Harold Cabot Advertising of Boston, and an employee of the Yankee Network and several other companies. He was a Director of the New England Medical Center Hospital, Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary, Boston Center for Blind Children, Rogerson House, Vermont Academy, Crotched Mountain Development Corp., and Massachusetts Heating Company. Lord was a long-time resident of Weston, MA, where he was a member of the Standing Committee of the First Parish Church and the Friendly Society. When he moved to Peterborough, NH, in 1979, he became involved with the Sharon Arts Center, The Peterborough Players, Monadnock Music, and The MacDowell Colony. Lord was also on the Petersborough Conservation Committee. He is survived by Jane, his wife of 59 years, his four sons, and ten grandchildren, including Dustin Lord '04.

William Watson '35 died on February 2, 2004 after a brief illness. William retired in 1975 after 40 years at Mercantile Bank in Baltimore. He lived all of his life in Towson, MD, the last three years at the Edenwald Retirement Community. He was a longtime member of Valley Baptist Church. He is survived by his nephew, Wilson B. Watson '60.

Ivah Myers Strong '38 died February 23, 2004.

Virginia Hoopes Eliason '42 died March 30, 2004. "Ginny" was a member of Alpha Chi Omega and served as its sorority advisor from 1947-1966. She taught school in Havre de Grace and Chestertown before starting a family. She returned to teaching at Chestertown High School and as librarian there and at Kent County High School until 1973. Ginny was also an active troop leader for the Girl Scouts, served on the Board of Directors for Camp Todd, was a member of DAR, Republican Women, Chestertown Garden Club and Pastoral Care for Kent and Queen Anne's Hospital. She was also a member of the Lay Eucharistic Ministry and the Altar Guild, a vestry member and president of the Episcopal Women's Club at St. Paul's Parish in Chestertown. She is survived by her husband, Thomas W. Eliason, Jr. '42.

Robert Holland '55 died January 6, 2004. Mr. Holland ran cross-country and was a member of the lacrosse team. He was a newspaper reporter for the Syracuse, NY *Post-Standard* and the *Philadelphia Inquirer* where he covered the assassination of Robert F. Kennedy and interviewed Billy Graham and Eleanor Roosevelt. Changing careers, Robert became a public relations executive for Temple University and the Smith, Kline & French pharmaceutical company. In 1977 he was appointed director of public relations for the Transportation Department during the Carter administration. He returned to Smith Kline Beecham in 1981. He retired in 1996. He was an avid golfer and tennis player.

Richard E. Norris '56 died February 3, 2004. During his WC years, Dick played defenseman on the lacrosse team. After 40 years of service, he retired from the National Security Agency. During his employment he traveled all over the world on many international assignments. He was a member of the National Cryptologic Museum Foundation, the American Legion, The National Association of Retired Federal Employees, the Phoenix Society and Arbutus United Methodist Church.

Walter Glen Gaumnitz '64 died of a stroke on February, 18, 2004. Glen received his master's degree from the University of Maryland, School of Social Work in 1969. He was an employee relations specialist for the Social Security Administration from 1973 to 1985 and a clinical staff coordinator for Changing Point, Inc., a Baltimore alcohol recovery program from 1987 to 1988. He then began private practice, ACR Counseling Services and was a psychiatric social worker at the Prince George's County Correctional Center. Glen was an active member of Alcoholics Anonymous, and "a great carrier of the Alcoholics Anonymous message." He was a member of the National Association of Social Workers and Unity Church of Christianity. He is survived by his former wife, Bonnie Orrison '63.

In the Pepper With the Pope

By Professor Robert Day

The truth is that while Uncle Freckles doesn't look like the Pope, I do... I have the same open face. I just looked at it in the mirror. I even held up the Pope's picture next to my face, and mirrored brother we were. In My Stead—*author obscure*

It was in those days in Djibouti taking rich Americans on shark shooting trips in the Red Sea.

"John Toll's the man you want," says this one guy to the other.

We had left the harbor with the rosy-fingered dawn and were now on the wine-dark sea.

"Why?" says the other. He runs polo ponies in upstate New York; the first guy's a banker.

"Toll's in the pepper and looks like the Pope. It's an unbeatable combination. He works two shifts."

What the polo pony man wanted with John Toll I never found out. Nor how the New York banker knew him. Both men were bad shots so I covered for them. They had their sharks' heads mounted. Teeth bared.

The shark shooting business went bust so I go to Addis Ababa and run a black market lion hunt. You fly in, bang-bam your lion, then fly out the next day. I had some Danakils bait them.

"John Toll's the guy you want," this Baron Von Blixen says as we are driving to the lion blind.

He's got a Lady Ashley with him and what they've been talking about before I don't know.

"Why?" she says.

"He looks like the Pope and he's in the pepper."

"By jove," says Lady Ashley, "that's hard to beat."

They shoot a pair of males and take them home as rugs. Teeth bared. Before she leaves, Lady Ashley says I look like the Pope, now that she thinks of it.

I get caught baiting lions and the next time I hear about John Toll I'm flying DC-3's out of Roberts Field. We're dropping supplies to the Angola rebels on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, and to the government troops on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. Sundays I fly south for some R&R. I'm drinking champagne at the Cafe Ilsa on the beach at Timbo when I hear a Tutsi say to a Hutu: "What our country needs is John Toll."

"The one who looks like the Pope," says the Hutu.

"Yes."

"Monsieur Blane told me this Toll's in the pepper."

"That too," says the Hutu," and they wade out into the sea for a swim, the Tutsi going further with his feet on the ground than the Hutu. "He works two shifts," says the Hutu just as the surf breaks around him.

Then I get shot down and spend three months in the heart of darkness before I catch a ride on the Congo with a guy named Marlow. He's looking for a boat an American film company leased from him to do a movie about gin and leeches.

"What I need in this business is John Toll," he says to me as we putt-putt along.

"The guy who looks like the Pope and is in the pepper," I say.

"The very one," says Marlow. "I just hope my boat's not on the bottom of some lake. They never even paid me for the gin. Has anyone ever told you *you* look like the Pope?"

By now I've had enough of the real world so I go to New York to find work as a character in novels. It pays well, and because you're inside, it's clean. My first job is this kid from New York who has trouble in school for chrissakes and winds up wearing his hat backwards; then I take a job in a war novel but there's a Catch to it, and I can never figure out what it is, so I quit. I'm offered work in a Conrad book but I've been there before.

I'm in my agent's office and he's on the phone: "I don't think John Toll's your man," he is saying. "A guy who's in the pepper and looks like the Pope won't stay in hardback. Once he got out of a novel in a university bookstore and starting running the place. First thing we knew he was President, which was great for the university, but the publisher went nuts because he's got a million copies of a book about a fellow named Gatsby with no Gatsby in it. I told him change the title to *The Great Tom*. He hangs up. But I got a guy in my office who looks like the Pope, if that's what you want. The same open face."

So I take work in a book nobody knows and I wind up in this small college library where I hear a professor say: "Our new president is a guy named John Toll."

"Never heard of him," says another professor. They are standing in the stacks where I'm shelved. I can't see them but I know one's sport coat and jeans and the other's a suit.

"Me neither," says Professor suit.

"He looks like the Pope," I say from my shelf.

"I hear he looks like the Pope," the jeans professor says.

"Who told you that?"

"I don't know. I don't even know why I said it."

He's in the pepper and works two shifts, I say.

"He's in the pepper," says Professor Suit.

"What's that mean?" says Professor Jeans.

"I don't know. It just came to me."

I can hear the students come and go talking, and that makes me want out of my book so I can enroll in John Toll's college.

After Professors Suit and Jeans leave, I walk over to the Admissions office. They let me in even though I'm not a National Honor Society student, even though I'll not win the Sophie Kerr Prize, even though—unlike John Toll—I'm not for real.

Robert Day teaches at Washington College. To test your knowledge of the literary allusions he makes here, visit magazine.washcoll.edu/guide.

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June 27
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July 22
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August 26
Incoming Students Arrive (Alumni and Parents Hospitality Suite)

August 27
Into The Streets. Join Washington College students as they volunteer at local and regional organizations. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information, call (410) 778-7892

September 21
The Center for the Environment and Society and the Joseph H. McLain Lecture Series present *Containment: Life after Three Mile Island*, a film by Chris Boebel and Nick Poppy. Norman James Theatre, 7:30 p.m.

September 22
The Rose O'Neill Tea & Talk Series and the Department of Foreign Languages, Literatures and Cultures present A Celebration in Memory of Pablo Neruda. O'Neill Literary House, Tea at 4 p.m. Readings at 4:30 p.m.

September 29
The Rose O'Neill Tea & Talk Series and the Gendar Studies Program present *Do Male And Female Brains Differ?* A lecture by Professor George Spilich. O'Neill Literary House, Tea at 4 p.m. Talk at 4:30 p.m.

October 1-2
Hall of Fame Golf Tournament and Dinner

October 2
Alumni Council Meeting

October 9
Kent and Queen Anne's County Alumni Chapter Flea Market

October 5
The Sophie Kerr Committee presents poet Elizabeth Spires, reading from her work. Sophie Kerr Room, Miller Library, 4:30 p.m.

October 5
The Jones Seminar in American Business presents a lecture by Ralph Hickman, Vice President, Global Product Marketing, Tupperware Corporation. Hynson Lounge, 7:30 p.m.

October 14
The Goldstein Program in Public Affairs and the C.V. Starr Center for the Study of the American Experience present a lecture by Seymour Hirsh, *The New York Times* correspondant that broke the Abu Ghraib prison abuse scandal. Hynson Lounge, 7:30 p.m.

October 22-24
Inauguration of President Baird Tipson
Fall Family Weekend

October 23
Parents' Council Meeting

November 11
The Goldstein Program in Public Affairs presents Poverty in America. A lecture by David Shipler, Pulitzer Prize-winning author and former foreign correspondent for *The New York Times*. Hynson Lounge, 7:30 p.m.

December 4
Alumni Council Meeting

December 11
Kent and Queen Anne's County Alumni Holiday Party

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For a monthly calendar of events, contact the special events coordinator at 1-800-422-1782, ext. 7849.
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Washington College: in person

Three brothers, each with different life experiences and aspirations, found themselves at the same hometown college, and by a twist of circumstances graduated together in May. Their mother, Molly Mears '76, is a computer programmer at WC.

Chris, the eldest at 32, came to work at WC after six years in the Army. He returned to the classroom on the GI Bill, drawn to the archaeology program and the prospect of underwater surveying. This summer, Chris is working for the Maryland Historic Trust, surveying a War of 1812 shipwreck on the floor of the Chesapeake Bay, and then will begin a doctoral program in coastal studies management.

Dusty, 24, learned how valuable a college degree would be when he was working in broadcasting. He was great at sales, but lacked the know-how to protect himself from being cheated out of commissions. Now armed with a degree in business management, he has accepted a position with a start-up broadband company moving into the Chestertown area.

Sonny, 21, thought he wanted to go to a big university, until he suffered through enormous lecture-hall classes. He transferred to WC, majored in business, and, with brother Dusty helped launch the Ultimate Frisbee Club. This summer he's off to Hawaii to explore the island approach to sustainable agriculture on an organic farm in paradise.

CHRIS, DUSTY AND SONNY MEARS, CLASS OF 2004
There's No Place Like Home

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